



Chase leads to shooting of Tewksbury Officer

Suspect in custody

By ANDREA MACMULLIN

TEWKSBURY - A police pursuit of a suspect in a stolen vehicle came to a near tragic ending on Wednesday. A Tewksbury Police Officer was shot Wednesday morning in

Billerica near Fox Hill Cemetery on Andover Road, following a police chase of a stolen car after a robbery at a Tewksbury gas station on Andover Street. Officer Brian O'Neill, a two-

year veteran of the Tewksbury Police Department received a non-life threatening gunshot wound to the leg. He is expected to be released from the hospital sometime on Thursday. A conference was held by

Billerica Police Chief Dan Rosa, and was attended by Tewksbury Police Chief Alfred Donovan at approximately 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday at the Billerica Police Station. According to a statement

released to the press, the suspect, Joseph Croteau of Lowell, jumped over the counter at the Mobil Gas Station located on Andover Road (Route 133) in Tewksbury and forcibly took money. He fled the scene in a

blue van and was spotted by Tewksbury Police on North Street. The police initiated a pursuit and followed the suspect into Billerica. The suspect lost control of his vehicle and

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Residents will be asked for \$450k to save the Butters Farm

By STEPHEN BJORK

WILMINGTON - Residents will decide the fate of the Butters Farm during the upcoming annual town meeting. An article will appear on the warrant asking residents to allow the town to raise and appropriate \$450,000 for the purchase of the 300-year old home.

The land that the house stands on, along with five adjacent lots, is slated for new development by Northeastern Development.

When the future of Butters Farm was first called into question during the Spring of 2005, the Town faced a deadline of 120 days to raise the \$450,000 to purchase and protect the site. The developer, however, agreed to extend the deadline for one

year, giving the Historical Commission until June 2006 to raise the necessary funds.

According to Wilmington Historical Commission Chairman Carolyn Harris, approximately \$6,000 has been collected so far, though approximately \$12,000 has been pledged.

The property is not, according to Harris, eligible for most state or federal grants while under private ownership. In order to be eligible, the property must first be purchased by the town. Only then could state and federal funds be forthcoming for renovations.

Despite the purchase price, Harris sees the property as a potential revenue generator for the town. Following the purchase

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WILMINGTON - On Thursday, February 23rd, Wilmington Police and Fire Departments responded to several calls reporting an auto accident at the intersection of Woburn and Lowell Streets. A Ford Explorer, driven by Kelly Shea, and a Saturn, driven by Cheryl Dickie collided at approximately 10 am. Responding Officer Dan Cadigan stated that the Saturn sustained serious damage. Wilmington Fire Department used the Jaws of Life to extricate the passenger, Kerri Hughes. Both Ms. Dickie and Ms. Hughes were transported to Lahey Clinic for treatment.

(Stu Neilson photo)

Before there was a landfill, there was a dump

By LARZ F. NEILSON

WILMINGTON - Old-timers in Wilmington might see the name "Maple Meadow Landfill" and scratch their heads. Where is that?

That's the upgraded name for the old dump at Spinazola's, down near the Woburn line. For most of the mid-20th century, Wilmington had a town dump, at one location or another.

Years ago, people would take care of their own trash. Food scraps were composted or buried, paper was burned,

newspaper was recycled in paper drives, and "clunk" was often dumped in the back corner of the property. I remember finding the remains of bottles and rusted cans in the woods. In the 1970s, someone came to the door wanting to look for bottles in the corner of the stone walls. Unfortunately,

stones had fallen off the walls and all the bottles were broken.

In the 1950s, we would keep a barrel under the back porch for cans and bottles. Every month or two, we'd load it up and take it to the dump, which was located on Salem Street near the North Reading line. There was a turnout above the gravel pit,

and people would dump their trash over the edge. The biggest concern was that it would often catch fire.

When that dump closed, the Canalas farm at the end of McDonald Road became the site of the town dump. Ventura Canalas established separate collection routes, one for garbage, one for trash. The farm was in an area near the Wilmington - Tewksbury line.

At the same time, Paul Godzyk started a trash collection route. He would come around in a 1937 Ford dump truck with built-up sides. His helper would be in the back of the truck, and Paul would pass the barrels into the back of the truck where his helper would empty them, all the while standing on an increasing load of trash. The trash was mostly clunk and

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Welcome Home!

Wilmington natives return after two years in Bonaire

By CHARLEY VALLAS

WILMINGTON - Ahhhhhh, there's no place like home. After two years in Bonaire, Jon and Deborah Savage are now reacquainting themselves with

the New England winters they had left behind. Both hail from Wilmington and graduated from WHS. Deborah's family (Dayton) includes a former Wilmington Selectman. She worked at Mass Bank and Jon was an Engineer at Agfa prior to this trip. These two high school sweethearts have quite the story to tell about their time in Bonaire, which is the representative of the "B" in the "ABC" islands of Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao, just 50 miles north of Venezuela.

But it wasn't a two year Caribbean vacation by any means; it was a lot of hard work for both of them. While there, they both worked at the Trans World Radio (TRW) sta-

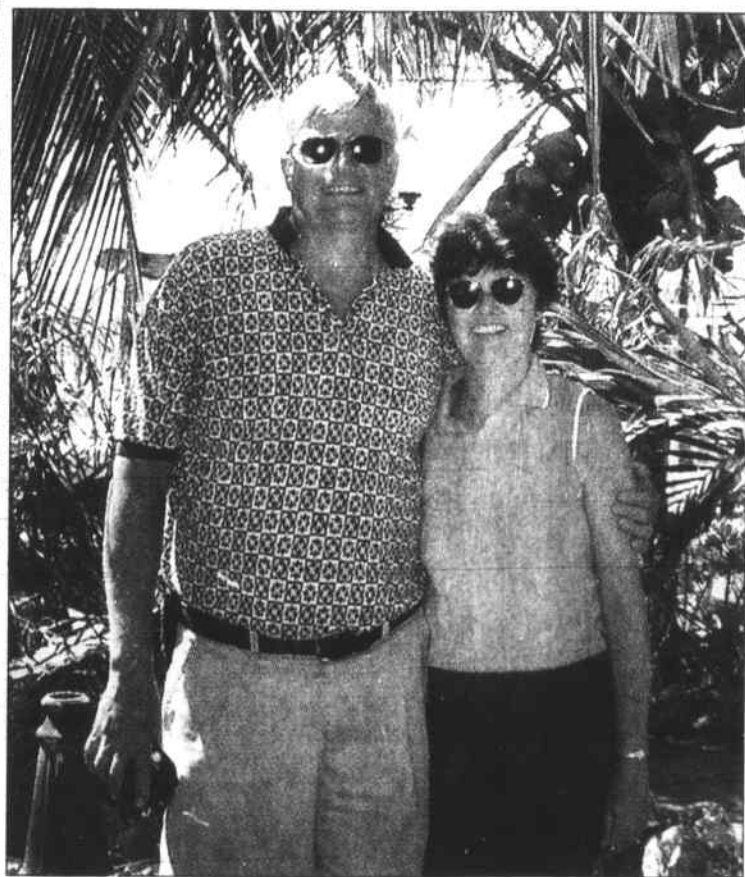
tion. Jon was the Radio Engineer who kept the 100,000 watt station up and running and on the air while Deborah managed all of the accounting and finance operations for the

and they performed a well received Christmas concert for an audience of over 350 grateful people.

TWR is an international, non-profit, Christian radio system with 13 Super Power Stations around the world. The Bonaire station was established in 1964, has a crew of 17 people and broadcasts in 8 languages daily: English, Spanish, Creole, Dutch, Portuguese, Papiamentu (a local dialect native to the ABC islands) and two Indian. The station reaches listeners over 2,000 miles away for 17 hours each day. The signal reaches south as far as Brazil and north as far as Florida. The radio content is non-political and includes music, Bible teachings, and family programming.

Jon and Deborah's application process to TWR began in December of 2001 and by January of 2003 they were

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Jon and Deborah Savage spent two years living and working in Bonaire.

(courtesy photo)

station including payables, receivables, taxes, you name it. They were also very active in the local church. Jon put his musical talent to work by donating his time as Choir Director. He readied the choir

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The IHOP in Tewksbury celebrated National Pancake Day on Tuesday, February 28th, with a free stack of 3 pancakes for each customer. As a part of the celebration, the IHOP was accepting charitable donations on behalf of First Book, a national non-profit organization that gives new books to children in need. TMHS student Kelly Williams worked after school serving stacks of pancakes with store manager, Hugo Veliz. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce held a business card mixer at Billo Dube Hundai on Tuesday evening. In attendance were (l-r) Bruce Dickey-Commercial Business Products, Scott Dube - Bill Dube Hundai, Barbara Galvin - Edco Collaborative, Mike Champoux - ProForma, and Paul Dickey also of Commercial Business Products. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

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It's Your Money
by Joyce Brisbois



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Similarly, if the parents, high income bars or phases out the value of the exemption—from \$149,950 to \$268,450 on a single return, or \$218,950 to \$341,450 on a joint return—why not let the youngster claim the dependency exemption on his own tax return, plus any applicable credits?

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Sunday, March 5, 2006, 2:00 p.m. at the Wilmington Town Museum at the Col. Joshua Harnden Tavern. The Wilmington Historical Commission presents Mike Tredeau, specialist in photo restoration. Mr. Tredeau will discuss the history of photography and talk about how the latest technology has changed

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OPINION



From: The Editor's Desk

by Stephen P. Bjork

GRRRRR!!

Not everybody loves Raymond

To finish a train of thought begun in this forum two weeks ago, compliments to Wilmington Selectman Chairman Raymond Lepore for jumping on top of the issue of town counsel's contract before the reappointment comes up. Contract negotiations have been noteworthy, to say the least, since Paul DeRensis, of the firm of Deutsch, Williams, Brooks, DeRensis & Holland, P.C. (DW), was first appointed to the position in June 2003. Lepore has decided that it is finally time for Wilmington to hold the reins in this process. Many feel that legal fees have spun out of control since the town reluctantly departed from its longstanding town counsel contract in December of 2003.

Creating a new contract prior to reappointment puts the town in a good bargaining position. Instead of town counsel driving the process, as has been the case for the last three years, Lepore plans to present DeRensis with a contract which has been drafted with the best interests of Wilmington in mind. Should it not meet the needs of DeRensis, Lepore is ready to accept additional applicants. A bold move, especially given the recent history of the position.

DeRensis accepted the town counsel position and signed a contract for a flat fee of \$132,800 annually. Several other firms with extensive municipal law experience interviewed and expressed interest in the position.

During his initial interview, DeRensis assured the selectmen, over and over again, that he would be able to live within the \$132,800 budget.

Five months into the year-long contract, however, DeRensis presented the Board of Selectmen with a revised contract and threatened to walk away if the Board refused to accept it. The revised contract included a reduced retainer fee of \$4,500 monthly, but billed hourly for litigation and special services at a rate of \$160 per hour. The agreement included a \$5 increase in the hourly rate as of January 2004 and did not stipulate any sort of cap on billable hours. According to DeRensis, his firm had lost in excess of \$100,000 as a result of providing legal services to Wilmington.

"Wilmington has had a different methodology for compensation of its town counsel," DeRensis told the Board in open session on December 22, 2003. "That method is not working for us."

He explained to the Board that the revised agreement was identical to those used by the other towns for which he provides town counsel services. Interesting then, that he was cited in the March 20, 2003 Canton Journal as proposing a flat fee for his services as town counsel for Canton.

The Board met at least twice in executive session to discuss town counsel's proposed contract prior to voting on the matter publicly on December 22, 2003.

Bills for December and January came in at a stunning \$25,000 each.

As selectmen began to think of the FY05 budget in March of 2004, DeRensis assured then-Chairman Michael McCoy that the town counsel budget should be level funded at \$132,800.

Aside from Selectman Robert Palmer - who was by himself in opposing the revised contract - Lepore was the first, during the March 8, 2004 meeting, to suggest that the town counsel contract should be revised prior to any re-appointment. Lepore further suggested that should the town choose to pursue any big-ticket items, such as litigation against Olin, town counsel should work for a percentage of any settlement or judgment awarded, as opposed to charging the town untold thousands in legal fees.

McCoy stunned his colleagues by opening up the March 22, 2004 meeting with a motion to dismiss DeRensis due to the escalating legal bills.

"I wanted to give him the benefit of the doubt relative to his restructuring and now I realize that was a mistake," McCoy said at the time. "As Chairman, I believe we should act now before it's too late. We should cut our losses now."

McCoy told his fellow selectmen that the law firm of Kopelman and Paige, which has a more extensive municipal client list than does DW, had verbally agreed to accept Wilmington's town counsel position at the previous flat fee of \$132,800.

McCoy's motion failed.

DeRensis went on record during an executive session held on April 1, 2004 stating that town counsel services should cost no more than \$132,800 for FY05.

As of its April 26, 2004 meeting, the Board of Selectmen was unanimous in its desire to place a monetary cap on legal fees for FY05 and they expected that cap to be set at \$132,800. The Board sent a letter to DeRensis stating its intention and asking whether DeRensis would object to such a cap. Lepore took issue with the tone of the letter.

"If this board feels that \$132,800 is what we want to offer," Lepore said during the April 26, 2004 meeting, "then send the letter off right now saying this is our cap for the upcoming year - \$132,800."

The letter asking if there would be any objection to a cap of \$132,800 was sent to DeRensis. A response to the Board within 24 hours was requested.

As of the May 10, 2004 meeting, DeRensis had not yet officially replied to the Board's letter.

"It's certainly after 24 hours," Lepore said. "We have a guy who doesn't know if he wants his job or not. It is two weeks later and we still don't have a reply and we're arguing about whether he is going to accept the job or isn't he and what to offer him."

Following two executive sessions, the Board agreed to a contract that mirrored the existing one with no monetary cap. The only discernable difference was a 60-day exit clause for both sides.

The negotiations for the FY06 budget occurred entirely outside of the public view and resulted in no change to the contract save for an increase in the hourly bill rate to \$170.

Just last month DeRensis warned the town that the retainer portion of his contract may need to double if services are not curtailed. In a situation eerily similar to that of December 2003, DeRensis cites a loss by his firm in excess of \$60,000 due entirely to the manner in which the Town of Wilmington does business.

I don't particularly like the looks of this. It appears to be a pattern. As our President would say, "Fool me once...uhh...you won't get fooled again."

The town spent nearly \$250,000 in legal fees for FY05, a far cry from the promise of \$132,800. The FY06 appropriation for legal counsel is already dry with five months left to go.

After all is said and done, DW may very well be the best firm for our needs, but they are not the only game in town and it is about time that Wilmington began calling the shots in this relationship. Lepore's tough stance puts the town in the right spot.



Everything's a Story

by Andrea MacMullin

My five-year old was asking me some

questions about her upcoming afternoon she would be spending at her cousin's house during which time I had an appointment.

She was wondering if her older brother would be going to play as well.

"No," I said. "He'll be at school."

Disappointed that he wouldn't be there to pose as the teacher when the two played school, I suggested Auntie might be able to play the role.

Without skipping a beat, she said that her Aunt would not be able to do this, because she probably has work to do.

My heart sank. Because I often have to "do work," it is

assumed that every other Mother must have to do work as well.

We talked about it for a minute, recalling the many times that I sit at the computer, typing away, while she plays next to me.

"That's ok," she said. "I can just play by myself."

Now my heart was somewhere in my toes. Even though their little, not yet fully developed minds have yet to mature, unknowingly they can sure hit below the belt.

As if I needed more guilt to be already overflowing basketful I keep in my conscience.

It wouldn't have been fair to try and talk my way out of it. What could I possibly say? It is what it is. Kids call it like they see it. They see things much clearer, it seems clearer than adults do. While we adults just-

fy and rationalize every action, other than just doing what we know we should do.

When I used to read all of those handy parenting manuals, I don't recall a section dedicated to managing situations like this. Of course they show mother's managing their time between work and play, all the while dressed to perfection in a neat and tidy home.

But I have yet to meet a woman who remotely resembles this scenario. We all want that, who wouldn't? But, it's terribly unrealistic.

So, until I make it to that perfect nirvana, where I feel I have conquered motherhood, and have done every aspect of it flawlessly, I will keep moving on. Yes, there will times more often than not, that I feel I could do many things better. But, like

many before me, and those around me, it is the best I can do. Why do we keep beating ourselves up over it?

I'm sure such thoughts crossed the minds of early pioneer women, whose sole intention was that of survival for her and her children. She did the best she could with what she had.

And today, all of us consumed mothers do the same. There may not be lingering dinners around the table, or hours spent on board games. It's more likely a quick meal after dance class, just before heading out to basketball, and a round or two of "I Spy" before tucking into bed.

One thing I do recall from those handy parenting manuals was something about "quality time." Yes, I think I've at least got that covered.



Backyard Birding

by Hugh Wiberg

When Woody comes a rappin'

Before I get to who-all have contacted me recently to report on what is happening bird-wise around Wilmington and Tewksbury, let's start this column with a quiz. Answers are at the end of column.

1. Can you name four birds that do not fly? (No, don't list turkey they can fly for a short distance)
2. Pigeons at top speed can fly (a) 50 m.p.h. (b) 80 m.p.h. (c) 100 m.p.h.
3. Falcons at top speed have been clocked at (a) 100 m.p.h. (b) 125 m.p.h. (c) 150 m.p.h.
4. Hummingbirds consume (a) twice (b) three times (c) five times their body weight each day.
5. How far do humming birds travel each way in their spring and fall migration trips to and from South America? (a) 800 miles (b) 1,000 miles (c) 1,200 miles
6. Golden eagles have been seen by airline pilots at (a) 5,000 feet (b) 10,000 feet (c) 20,000 feet.
7. An eagle's eyesight is so

sharp that they can spot a rabbit at (a) quarter mile (b) half mile (c) over a mile.

8. How much do ostrich eggs weigh? (a) 1 pound (b) 2 pounds (c) 3 pounds

Last month's column featured the sighting of a saw-whet owl as the blue ribbon sighting of the month. (Diane Norton of South Street, Tewksbury.) February's blue ribbon winner was Sue Ellen Obлом of Boutwell Street in Wilmington. Sue Ellen got a great look at a pileated woodpecker as she was riding her horse along the Middlesex Canal Path. This rare bird is 15 inches tall, and is the "Woody Woodpecker" of comic book fame. This is the first time I have ever heard of this spectacular bird being seen in Wilmington or Tewksbury. I have seen them occasionally in the Ipswich River Wildlife Sanctuary in Topsfield. Congratulations, Sue Ellen!

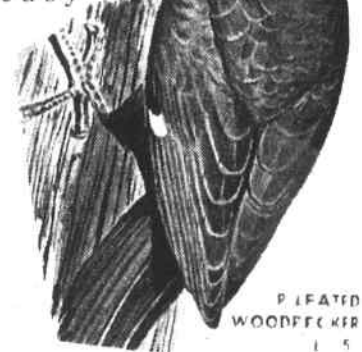
Bill Hooper of Serenoa Lane in Wilmington called late in

January to report two Carolina wrens and a pair of Cardinals,

as well as both hairy and downy woodpeckers, which are enjoying the suet feeders. Good to hear from you, Bill.

Diane Fielding, Hopkins Street in Wilmington called to ask why her 15 or so goldfinches had suddenly disappeared a week ago.

Some questions do not have a s y



answers. This is one of those questions. I suspect they are just roaming around. They will be back, I am sure. Goldfinches are the most common birds in our North

Wilmington yard. We see more than 30 of them almost every day. In five or six weeks the males will begin to molt to yellow. The females remain olive color the year around.

The only birds of note in our backyard are a male and a female red-bellied woodpecker, a pair of Carolina wrens (one of my favorite birds) and a brown creeper.

The variety of birds this winter is down. Not sure why. I will research this and get back to you in March. Also, my phone has been quiet lately. Everyone off skiing? You can reach me at 978/658-5852.

Answers to quiz:

1. dodo, kiwi, ostrich, and penguin
2. (a) 50 miles per hour
3. (c) 150 miles per hour
4. (a) twice their body weight
5. (b) 1,000 miles
6. (c) 20,000 feet
7. (c) over a mile
8. (c) 3 pounds



Letters to the editor

Your vote is important

Dear Editor,

As Chairperson of the Community Preservation Act Ballot Question Committee, I am appealing to the voters of Tewksbury to carefully consider the advantages of the CPA for the town. The funds that will be raised and Tewksbury's tax payers' fair share of state matching funds will be used to improve the present and future character of our town. These funds can only be used for Historic Preservation, Affordable Housing and Preservation of Open Space including Recreational Use.

Historic Preservation: I have seen the tireless efforts of the Historic Commission and Historic Society in the struggle to preserve historic memorabilia about the town. Their time and effort now needs the addition of funds to carry out their plans of a survey of the historical landmarks and a permanent place to call home for all the articles collected. We should be grateful for the work of these knowledgeable residents and support their initiatives. In many towns through out the state the CPA funds have been the only way that historical societies can accomplish their goals in such a difficult budget time.

Affordable Housing: Community Preservation Funds will give our town the opportunity to address our need for affordable places for people of all ages and incomes to live in the town. Often our children or parents cannot afford to own or rent property here due to rising costs. The town's Local Housing Partnership has worked diligently for several years on various initiatives and housing plans. The CPA funds will help the town address these plans

and achieve the goals, without the well-known struggles between developers and neighbors.

Open Space: With available land shrinking through out the town the CPA funds could be used for purchasing land for protecting water resources, easements for Open Space and conservation restrictions. Maybe some of you have seen the activities in other towns around us where residents are trying to raise funds for purchasing land and the difficulties they are having. The CPA would provide the funds for this purpose. Someone once said that the earth is what grounds us. Just think of how you feel when you see an open field and how it changes thru the seasons, each winter brings a spring and summer. The CPA could help us preserve these areas.

Recreational Use: The CPA funds can also be used to purchase and improve land for recreational use, such as athletic fields. A few years ago, I remember the passionate appeals for girl's softball fields for the youth of Tewksbury and the unfortunate difficulties in funding these requests. Available CPA funds could make this a reality. In our times where children are more interested in playing with electronic computer games, it is important to still make available attractive and safe fields where they can have fun and enjoy playing with each other in a team sport.

The CPA Ballot Question, as approved at Town Meeting, represents an approximate surcharge for a homeowner with property assessed at \$320,000 at \$8.49 per quarter.

Also, there are exemptions available for low income and

low/moderate income seniors. The money raised by the town is then matched by the State, with funds acquired at the Registry of Deeds, which we are already paying into. By adopting the CPA, other cities and towns in the State are benefiting from this source and it is time for Tewksbury to take advantage of these matching State funds.

I hope in this brief letter you can understand my support for the Community Preservation Act. The many opportunities that the CPA brings to the community of Tewksbury will benefit all of us for years to come.

Our effort to help inform the voters of Tewksbury of this

important decision to be made at the April 1st elections is modest in its scope: lawn signs to alert people to this ballot question and a pamphlet to provide more detailed information.

If you would like a copy of the pamphlet, a lawn sign to show your support or would like to make a donation to this committee, please feel free to contact me, Donna Pelczar at 978-658-6154.

Please support this CPA Ballot Question by voting YES at the April 1st election - YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT.

Sincerely,
Donna Pelczar
Tewksbury

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Let's Hear it!!

Your Two Cents...

Mr. Lingenfelter's letter to the editor, which appeared in last week's Town Crier, pointed out just how much this town needs a decent library given that he feels the term 'soliloquies' is beyond the limit of the average intellect in Wilmington.

Wilmington

While everyone agrees we would like classroom sizes smaller in Tewksbury, the petition advocates have not stated where the money for new teachers will come from. They have also not presented any facts that classroom size makes better students. Also, senior citizens, and lower income families in Town will have a hard time paying the increased taxes that will come with the hiring of new teachers. I hope people will think of the ramifications before signing any petition.

Tewksbury

To The Selectmen:

Please do not rattle papers, click pens or tap fingers while someone is speaking during your meetings. You all have open mikes in front of you and the noise is very distracting. Thank You

Wilmington

School supporters are at their wits end as the school budget has become a plug figure to balance the budget. If you follow the money Tewksbury's School in 2000 accounted for 51.72% of funds allocated, which has dropped to 47.09% in 2004. Roughly 20% is funded through aid and grants. Out of 81million (FY2006) estimated taxes to be raised, we could do a better job. The school system is deteriorating each year as it scrambles to cut as town officials shake each others hand on what a great job they did in balancing the budget. Why have a school improvement plan, it should be called a school crunch plan. We should put up a sign that says "Welcome to Tewksbury State champs on spending the least on our kids"

Tewksbury

I can't believe the town's legal fee budget is bankrupt after only half a year! Apparently this swindle has been operating under the radar screen for a long time. Residents should be made aware of major problems like this, and thank goodness Chairman Lepore is looking out for our bottom line. I look forward to seeing him fix it.

Wilmington

I heard that Selectman Sullivan, the environmentalist, is supporting Jay Tighe, the developer that brought 40B to Wilmington. To say she cares about this town is not only a joke but an insult to the people who do care!

Wilmington

How long will it be before they fix the blinking school zone light at the Woburn Street School? The light on High Street is 12 hours out of sync and has been for weeks!

Wilmington

Want your opinion heard?

Send your Two Cents to twocents@yourtowncrier.com. All submissions chosen for publication will be done so anonymously.

Letters to the editor

Jolly Rogues go to China

Dear Editor,

Our dynamic, unique, lively, versatile 18th and 19th Century historical music group "The Jolly Rogues" has been invited to perform at the "Meet in Beijing Arts Festival," along with other venues, in The People's Republic of China from 28 April to 7 May 2006. We shall be the only American musical participant at this pop culture event and consider it a singular honor to be so selected.

"The Jolly Rogues" (5 male musicians/singers), along with the some-times accompanying "The Ladies Remembered," perform

music of the 18th and early 19th Century (ballads, tavern tunes, children's ditties, sea songs, shanties, popular songs) related to our nation's beginnings, while always attired in clothing of that period. We began as a volunteer group, "The Hartwell Players," in 1999 to interpret colonial music for Minute Man National Historical Park in Concord, where we are all members of The Guild of Historic Interpreters. "The Rogues" formed as a professional group in 2001 and made its first appearance in Concord. Since then we have played our music with its unique manner of presenta-

tion throughout New England and New York in addition to tours of England (2004 and 2005; numerous BBC appearances and benefits for historical sites), Wales (2004) and Germany (2005, Baltic Sea Festival). We are excited at the prospect of taking our heritage, culture, history and music to the people of China.

The Festival is co-hosted by The Ministry of Culture; People's Republic of China, The People's Government of Beijing Municipality, and The People's Republic of China Administration of Radio, Film and Television. In preparation for the upcoming Summer Olympics to be held

in China, their Olympic Committee will also be involved this year. Aside from performances at Chaoyang Park (including opening ceremonies) with other musical groups and dance troupes, we shall also several times appear at a popular "Irish Bar" in Peking near the University and at numerous other venues currently being arranged by our hosts. It is expected that hundreds of thousands of people will see us perform over nine days.

Yours truly,
James Murray
Manager/Musician
"The Jolly Rogues"

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As of **March 31, 2006**, carbon monoxide alarms will be **required** in all residences with potential sources of carbon monoxide. The Board of Fire Prevention Regulation (BFPR) recently passed emergency regulations to implement the law known as "Nicole's Law" (527 CMR 31.00)

Fire departments are currently required to inspect smoke alarms when homes are being sold and transferred. Starting **March 31, 2006** (or January 1, 2007 where hard-wired alarms are required) fire departments will now inspect all residences upon sale and transfer for carbon monoxide alarms. Make certain when you are purchasing an alarm that it is certified by an independent testing company. Not all alarms will bring your home into compliance with these regulations

The Department of Fire Services is distributing a *Consumer's Guide to Requirements for Residential Carbon Monoxide Alarms*. This guide and information about the regulations can be obtained from your local fire department and on the DFS website at:

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Letters to the editor

Caira is a professional

Dear Editor:

A letter in this week's Crier (Feb. 22, 2006) expressing gratitude for Selectman Sullivan's agendas stimulated me to write the following.

Congratulations to the 4 members of Wilmington's Board of Selectmen in their vote to continue the management of Mr. Michael Caira. They rose above pettiness as outlined by Selectman Sullivan in her prepared statement defending her "no" vote.

Mr. Caira does not need letters patting him on the back, but I offer the following:

Mr. Caira is a professional manager; well trained and educated with quality experiences as outlined by a resume. His responses over the past 4 years where the "noise" in Wilmington from a minority group has muted common sense approaches.

The 4 member Board of Selectmen will hopefully continue their judgments based on

facts, the good of the town, and the intent to leave a legacy in their place that provides the foundation for sound judgments rather than political hype.

Congratulations McCoy, LePore, Newhouse, and West. Also, congratulations and best wishes to Mr. Michael Caira. He does deserve our support.

Sincerely,
Ann L. Yurek
Wilmington

A close family friend

Dear Editor,

Because George Lingenfelter is a family friend, a close life-long friend of my brother is not enough reason to support his run for Selectman. But knowing that George is totally honest, caring and yes, brainy is the reason I'm getting behind him.

George has overcome obstacles that most of us couldn't face. Barely into his 20's his

mother died, leaving him to support himself and a younger sister. He somehow managed to put himself through school while maintaining the household, eventually becoming a hydro-geologist. Now that's perseverance and character.

George is in a position to make decisions in the best interest of the town with no concern for personal gain. We desperately need more inde-

pendent thinkers sitting on the Board of Selectmen.

As a kid George was our very favorite of my brother's friends. I can still hear my mother saying "Isn't George nice, he's so smart too."

Sincerely,
Betsy Woods
Wilmington

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Letters to the editor

Above and beyond

(editor's note - the following letter was sent to Congressman Marty Meehan, but is reprinted here at the request of the author.)

Dear Congressman Meehan, I am writing to express my sincere appreciation for the help I received on Friday, February 23, 2006 from Fred Simon and Jessica D'Iorio.

My daughter, Brittany, a junior at Tewksbury Memorial High School was all packed and ready to go to France with the high school exchange program, except for one problem. We were still waiting for the passport that we applied for eight weeks earlier.

Two weeks prior to her trip, I started making calls to ensure that there would not be a last minute problem. I was assured on at least four separate occasions, not to worry and that she would have her passport in plenty of time.

On Tuesday, only four days before her scheduled departure, they put her passport on a "rush, will call list."

On Wednesday, I was informed that the request for the "will call," sent by e-mail from the Federal agency to the Boston office, had not been opened. As a result, no one in Boston understood the urgency in this matter.

Needless to say, my sixteen year-old daughter, along with my husband and I, were losing sleep with the worry that she would not be able to make the trip with her classmates. After a long sleepless night, I got out of bed early, eager to find a way to get the passport. Instead I found that my car had a flat tire. I was feeling defeated. How could I have known that the answer to our problem would be found through a visit to Schlott Tire in Tewksbury? It was there, while waiting to have my flat fixed, that Schlott Tire employee "Rusty" suggested I contact Fred Simon.

I know Fred. He is a great guy. I worked with Fred on the 9-11 Committee, both as a resident of Tewksbury and as a photographer for the Tewksbury/Wilmington Town Crier.

I could call Fred, I would do anything to get this passport for my first born!

I spoke to Fred on Thursday evening at 5:00. He jumped on the problem immediately. Though it was now after normal business hours, Fred made

a phone call to your office and spoke with Jessica D'Iorio who was still in the office working late. She called me that evening and assured me that a call would be made first thing in the morning to see what could be done.

At 9:10 on Friday morning, just 10 minutes after the passport agency opened, she called me to tell me that I was all set, my passport was ready and I could pick it up in Boston in one hour. She added, "If you have any problem at all, just give me a call and I'll take care of it for you."

Jessica accomplished in 10 minutes what I could not do in two weeks, and believe me, I tried.

Walking out of the O'Neil building in Boston that morning my daughter asked if we could send Jessica some flowers and she also said "Fred Simon for President!"

Congressman Meehan, we would like you to know how grateful we are to Jessica and Fred. Not only did they help obtain an over due passport when no one else would, they proved that there are still kind, caring people willing to go the extra mile.

Sincerely,
Maureen and Stephen
Lamoureux



Erik Gustafson serving in Alaska

Air Force 2nd Lt. Erik R. Gustafson has arrived for duty at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Anchorage, Alaska.

The lieutenant is a meteorologist assigned to the 3rd Weather Group.

He is the son of Richard and Patricia Gustafson of Washington Ave., Wilmington, Mass.

Gustafson graduated in the year 2000 from Shawsheen Valley Vocational Tech, and received a bachelor's degree in 2005 from the University of Mass., Lowell.

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Sheila McDougall
SRES - REALTOR

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BILLERICA \$354,900



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Chris Cassidy
CBR - REALTOR

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O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart, to succor me in this request; there are none that can withstand your power.

O, show me herein you are my Mother. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee. (3 times)

Sweet Mother, I place this request in your hands. (3 times)

Say for 3 consecutive days and publish. God Bless

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AND THE FIRST WINNER IS: Roe Janao won the U.S. Flag afghan in the Wilmington Minutemen / Wilmington Historical Commission raffle to raise funds to save the Butters Farm. The winning ticket was drawn by Anne Butters and handed to Carolyn Harris of the Historical Commission. Roe's ticket was thrown back into the bin and will be eligible for the next drawing, tonight at the Wilmington Memorial Library. The raffle will be going on all month. There are still 29 great prizes to be won. Tickets can be purchased at Design's by Don, West Real Estate, the Town Crier and Sunnyside Cafe.



Pack 48 presented bears that they built with their own hands at Build-A-Bear to the Tewksbury Fire Department. The bears will go in the ambulance for the benefit of any injured or ill children that may need some additional comfort during a frightening trip.
front row - Jimmy Catyb, Sam Fortier, Jimmy Wink
second row - Justin Brangiforte, Matt Fortier, Steven Wink,
Joshua Scholl, Justin Haney, Billy Catyb, Kayla James
courtesy photo)

Wilmington Good Guy nominations

Do you know this year's Good Guy? Tell us about this most deserving person! The "Good Guy" Committee is looking for a special person in our community to honor as this year's "Good Guy" recipient. The 38th annual event is designed to honor that person male or female who goes beyond the normal call of duty to make our community a better place in which to live. Our only requirement is that this person may not be a politician.

If you know someone who deserves this award, please let us know. When you submit your nomination, please let the Committee know the reasons why you feel this individual should be honored. Send your nominations to: The "Good Guy" Committee, P.O. Box 443, Wilmington, MA 01887. If you wish to email your nomination, send it to: wilmingtongoodguy@verizon.net.

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Dilworth and Restuccia on Dean's List

Daniel Dilworth and Andrew Restuccia are enrolled at the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University and were named to the Deans List for the Fall 2005 semester. To qualify for the Deans List, students must achieve at least a 3.4 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) during the semester.

The S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University is one of the most respected professional communications schools in the nation. Its 60 faculty members include industry leaders and internationally known scholars and researchers. The Newhouse School offers degree programs in seven disciplines: advertising; broadcast journalism; magazine journalism; newspa-

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Dilworth is a sophomore majoring in newspaper journalism.

Wilmington Garden Club notes

Join us Thursday, March 9th, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. for an evening with floral designer Beverly Styer. Mrs. Styer's specialty is wedding bouquets. She will be demonstrating what is new and beautiful in wedding bouquets. Some of our club members will be displaying their wedding gowns and photo's of their special day.

Club meetings are held in the Fourth of July Building in Wilmington on the second

Thursday of each month.

As an upcoming event that Wilmington Garden Club is sponsoring will feature radio personality Paul Parent giving a lecture on "Preparing Your Garden For Spring." This event termed our "Silver Tea" will be held at the K of C Hall, School St., Wilmington at 7:00 p.m. on April 20, 2006. Ticket price is \$10.00 and can be obtained by calling Patty Kasparian at (978) 658-9147.

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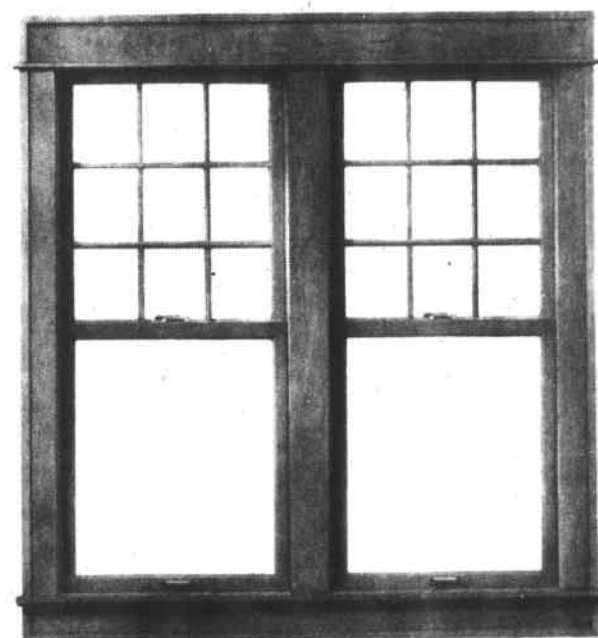
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O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart, to succor me in this request; there are none that can withstand your power.

O, show me herein you are my Mother. O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee. (3 times)

Sweet Mother, I place this request in your hands. (3 times)

Say for 3 consecutive days and publish. God Bless

3/1/06

J.E.S.



AND THE FIRST WINNER IS: Roe Janao won the U.S. Flag afghan in the Wilmington Minutemen / Wilmington Historical Commission raffle to raise funds to save the Butters Farm. The winning ticket was drawn by Anne Butters and handed to Carolyn Harris of the Historical Commission. Roe's ticket was thrown back into the bin and will be eligible for the next drawing, tonight at the Wilmington Memorial Library.

The raffle will be going on all month. There are still 29 great prizes to be won. Tickets can be purchased at Design's by Don, West Real Estate, the Town Crier and Sunnyside Cafe.



Pack 48 presented bears that they built with their own hands at Build-A-Bear to the Tewksbury Fire Department. The bears will go in the ambulance for the benefit of any injured or ill children that may need some additional comfort during a frightening trip.

front row - Jimmy Catyb, Sam Fortier, Jimmy Wink
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Joshua Scholl, Justin Haney, Billy Catyb, Kayla James

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If you know someone who deserves this award, please let us know. When you submit your nomination, please let the Committee know the reasons why you feel this individual should be honored. Send your nominations to: The "Good Guy" Committee, P.O. Box 443, Wilmington, MA 01887. If you wish to email your nomination, send it to: wilmingtongoodguy@verizon.net.

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Girl Scout Troop 331 of Wilmington visited the DanversBank to earn their "Money Sense" and "Penny Power" badges. Annie Romanzo, Rebecca Shultz, Victoria Oliveira, Caitlin Riley, Jamie Spinazola and Nicole Romanzo got some help from Holly Nahabedian, Branch Manager, earning the badges.

Dilworth and Restuccia on Dean's List

Daniel Dilworth and Andrew Restuccia are enrolled at the S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University and were named to the Deans List for the Fall 2005 semester. To qualify for the Deans List, students must achieve at least a 3.4 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale) during the semester.

The S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University is one of the most respected professional communications schools in the nation. Its 60 faculty members include industry leaders and internationally known scholars and researchers. The Newhouse School offers degree programs in seven disciplines: advertising; broadcast journalism; magazine journalism; newspa-

per journalism; public relations; television, radio, and film; and visual and interactive communications.

Dilworth is a sophomore majoring in newspaper journalism.

Wilmington Garden Club notes

Join us Thursday, March 9th, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. for an evening with floral designer Beverly Styer. Mrs. Styer's specialty is wedding bouquets. She will be demonstrating what is new and beautiful in wedding bouquets. Some of our club members will be displaying their wedding gowns and photo's of their special day.

Club meetings are held in the Fourth of July Building in Wilmington on the second

Thursday of each month.

As an upcoming event that Wilmington Garden Club is sponsoring will feature radio personality Paul Parent giving a lecture on "Preparing Your Garden For Spring". This event termed our "Silver Tea" will be held at the K of C Hall, School St., Wilmington at 7:00 p.m. on April 20, 2006. Ticket price is \$10.00 and can be obtained by calling Patty Kaspasian at (978) 658-9147.

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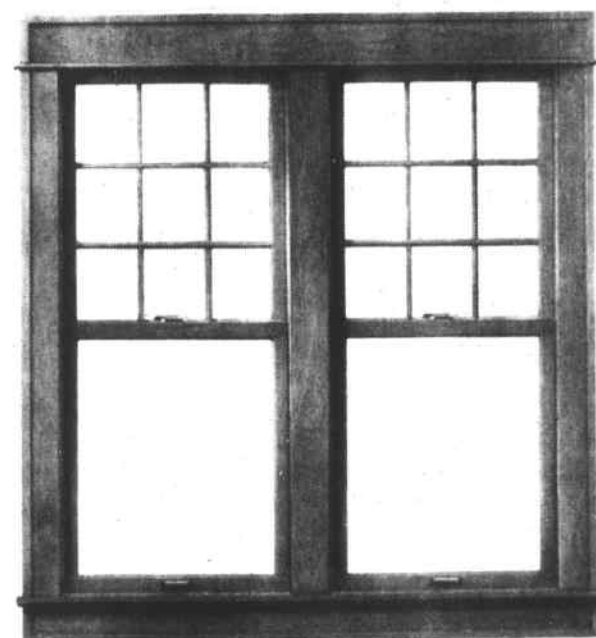
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Tewksbury Police Log

Monday, February 20

9:03 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 875 East Street.

11:52 a.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Darby Street.

12:14 p.m. A car parked on Main Street was burglarized sometime overnight.

Kenneth Bettencourt, 39, of Melrose, was arrested for receiving stolen property valued at more than \$250.

Daniel Murphy, 30 of Medford, was arrested and charged with shoplifting by asportation, receiving stolen property valued at more than \$250, illegally possessing a hypodermic needle, and operating a motor vehicle after suspension or revocation of his driver's license.

Tuesday, February 21
12:37 p.m. A residential mailbox on Whipple Road was damaged by a motor vehicle.

1:00 p.m. The rear window of a car parked at a residence on Merrimack Meadows Lane was smashed maliciously.

3:32 p.m. Police assisted in removing an unwanted person from a business on Main Street.

11:43 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Tomahawk Drive.

Wednesday February 22
8:09 a.m. A trailer belonging to a Martin Road residence was burglarized overnight.

11:53 a.m. A hit-and-run motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1151 South Street.

3:05 p.m. Political signs were removed without authorization from residences on Whipple Road, Chandler Street, and Pine Street.

10:05 p.m. Police responded to a report of a fight occurring on Main Street.

Francisco Rivera, 24 of Lowell, was arrested in the vicinity of 85 Main Street on the basis of a warrant.

Thursday February 23
7:24 a.m. Gas was illegally siphoned from a tractor-trailer unit parked in the vicinity of 85 Main Street.

6:20 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 401 Main Street.

8:07 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Crescent Street.

Friday February 24
1:30 p.m. Police assisted in removing an unwanted person from a residence on Erlin Terrace.

1:39 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 85 Main Street.

6:13 p.m. A hit-and-run motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1258 Main Street.

Miguel Perez, 25 of Lawrence, arrested in the vicinity of 172 East Street on the basis of a warrant.

James Demarco, 47, of Tewksbury, was arrested in the vicinity of 95 Main Street and was charged with operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, operating a motor vehicle with a suspended registration, and operating an uninsured and unregistered vehicle.

Saturday February 25
2:07 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1820 Andover Street.

2:25 a.m. Police responded to a report of a fight occurring at a business on Andover Street.

8:56 a.m. A vehicle parked in the vicinity of 1695 Andover Street was damaged maliciously.

9:13 a.m. Police responded to a report of an Astle Street resident "peeking" into a neighbor's window.

11:09 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the

vicinity of 2086 Main Street.

11:12 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1777 Main Street.

11:28 p.m. A car was stolen from a residence on Armistice Road.

3:13 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 10 Cardigan Road.

3:33 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 249 Astle Street.

Luiz Costa, 21, of Lowell, was arrested and charged with the unlicensed operation of motor vehicle.

7:54 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Main Street.

9:14 p.m. A motor vehicle parked in the vicinity of 85 Main Street was burglarized.

Sunday February 26
12:20 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 270 North Billerica Road.

6:55 a.m. A motor vehicle stolen from a residence on Armistice Road was returned by an unknown party during the night.

8:24 a.m. Police assisted in removing an unwanted person from a residence on Decarolis Drive.

2:21 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 953 Andover Street.

3:12 p.m. During a search of a motor vehicle, stopped by police for suspicious activity, a Tewksbury police officer was stuck by a needle. The officer was taken to Saints Memorial Medical Center for treatment.

9:02 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred on Geddes Drive.

10:40 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on County Road.

Paul Joseph Minichiello, 29, of Nashua, New Hampshire, was arrested on the basis of a Warrant.



Wilmington Police Log

Monday, February 20

7:16 a.m.

Malicious damage to a vehicle was reported on Faneuil Drive.

1:39 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Aldrich Road and Boutwell Street.

5:28 p.m. Malicious damage to a business was reported on Jefferson Street.

8:36 p.m. Malicious damage to a residence, in which a house was struck by paintballs, was reported on Park Street.

William Dunbar, 19, of Wilmington, was arrested in the vicinity of 81 Grove Avenue and was charged with trespassing.

At the request of Tewksbury Police Department, two males were stopped and arrested in connection with a larceny at Brooks Pharmacy on Main Street in Tewksbury. Kenneth Bettencourt, 39, of Melrose and Daniel Murphy, 29, of Medford, were detained and released to Tewksbury Police. Murphy was issued a summons by Wilmington Police for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license.

Tuesday, February 21
Three youths, ages 16, 16, and 17, from Burlington, Woburn and Wilmington respectively, were arrested in the vicinity of Fay Street and were each charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol.

Wednesday, February 22
9:37 a.m. A motor vehicle-

related accident occurred at the intersection of Route 125 and Ballardvale Street.

3:30 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Church Street and Main Street.

7:54 p.m. Sounds reported as possibly being gunshots were reported in the vicinity of St Paul Street and at the Town Hall.

11:01 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 226 Lowell Street.

Scott Conboy, 39, of Lowell, was stopped by police in the vicinity of 370 Main Street and was arrested on the basis of a warrant. He was also cited for having an expired inspection sticker.

Roberto Teixeira, 23, of Billerica, was stopped by police in the vicinity of 490 Main Street and was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license.

Thursday, February 23
10:05 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Lowell Street and Woburn Street.

10:10 a.m. A residential mailbox was stolen from St Paul Street.

7:20 p.m. Police responded to a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Church Street.

Friday, February 24
12:29 a.m. Malicious damage to a residence on Cunningham Street was reported.

9:43 a.m. A motor vehicle-

related accident occurred in the vicinity of 241 Main Street.

11:06 a.m. A residential mailbox on Serenoa Lane was damaged maliciously.

12:26 a.m. A motor vehicle on Mystic Avenue was burglarized.

15:14 p.m. Malicious damage to a residence on Manor Drive was reported.

7:55 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred at the intersection of Federal Street and Middlesex Avenue.

9:18 p.m. Explosions were reported in the vicinity of Boutwell Street.

Saturday, February 25
2:01 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 40 Hobson Avenue.

2:10 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 8 Reed Street.

2:58 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 9 Harold Avenue.

4:05 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 240 Main Street.

Sunday, February 26
2:29 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 106 Burlington Avenue.

10:18 a.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1 Marie Drive.

3:21 p.m. A motor vehicle-related accident occurred in the vicinity of 1 Richmond Street.

Brendan Gibson, 18, of Wilmington, was arrested in the vicinity of Foxrun Drive on the basis of a warrant.

Women's Barbershop music at Arts Center

Merrimack Valley Chorus will be hosting a one night workshop in connection with Lowell Women's Week. Find out why the traditional American art

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Thank you from the Recreation Director

Saturday, February 18 marked the end of the 2005-2006 season for the Wilmington Recreation Basketball League and Junior Basketball programs.

This year 240 children in grades one and two participated in our Junior Basketball program at the Shawheen Elementary School. Each week two supervisors, twenty coaches and sixteen assistant coaches provided a program to introduce our youngest players to the game of basketball through weekly practice sessions and

games. This year seven hundred children participated in our ten-week basketball program for children in grades three through ten. Eight supervisors, sixty six coaches and thirty eight assistant coaches supervised a program where children had one practice session and one game each week as they fine tuned their basketball skills in this instructional, fitness and fun-oriented format.

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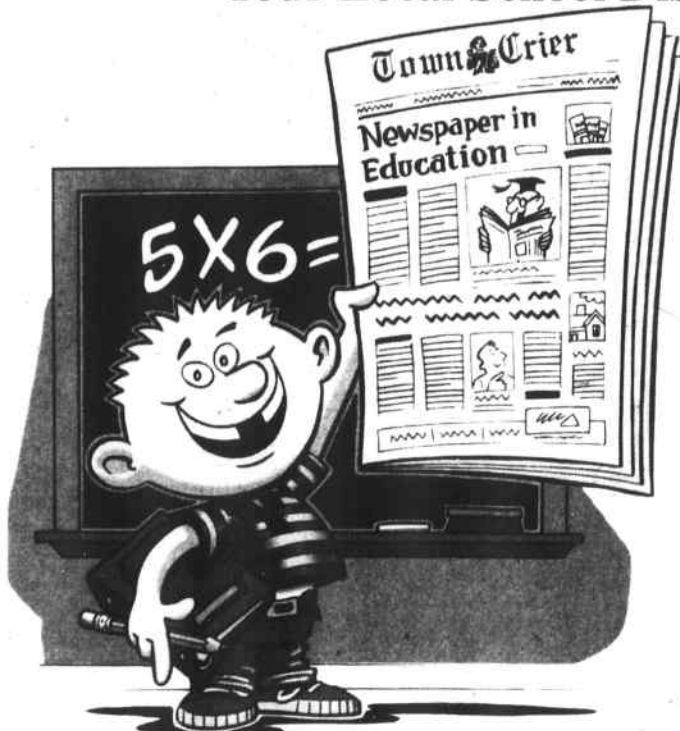
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Thank you to everyone who helped to make this season a memorable one for all who participated.

Sincerely yours,
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Recreation Director

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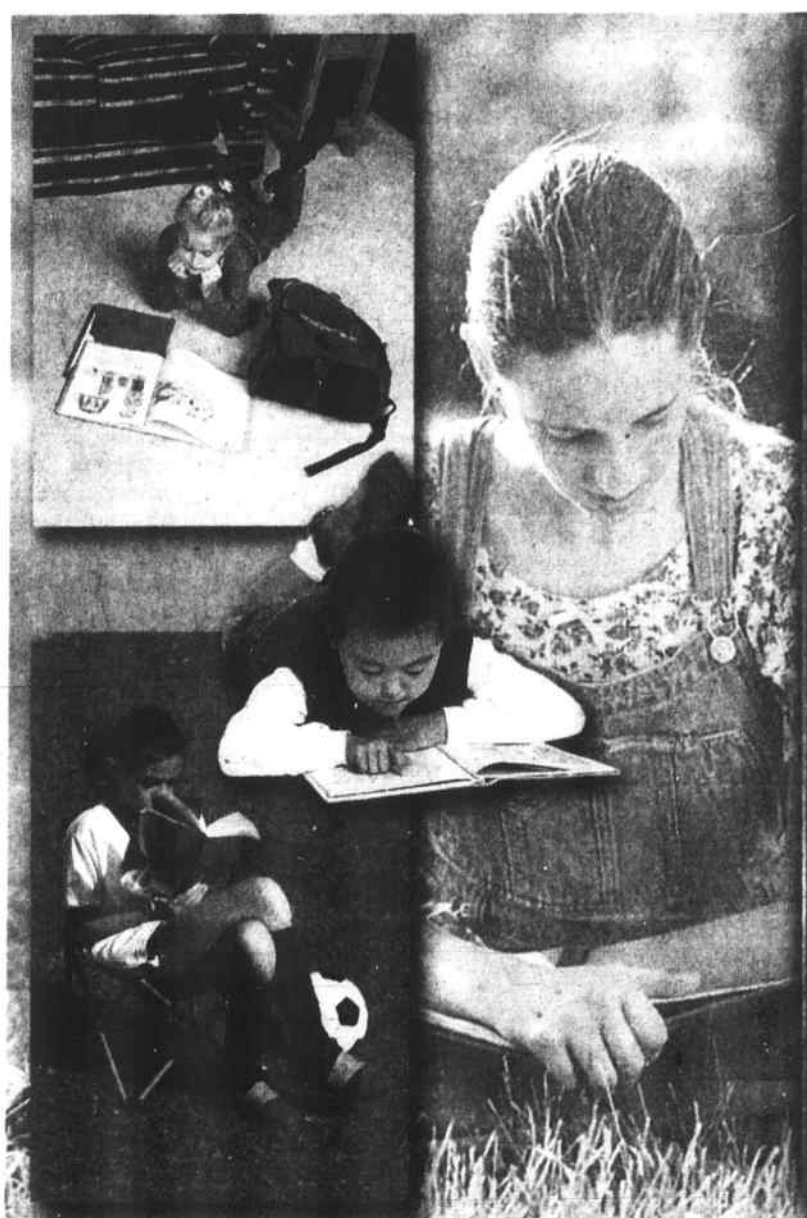
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Saturday evening attendance was down a bit due to the weather but they still raised over \$13,000 for Make-A-Wish. The dance was at the K of C Hall in Wilmington. Wilmington resident Pat O'Brien helped Lori Moore with the door prize raffle at the Make-A-Wish 18th annual fundraiser dance held in memory of Pat's daughter, Colleen. Colleen was the first child in Massachusetts to receive a wish from the foundation.



Paul Oliver, new Boy Scout

Paul Oliver crossed over to Boy Scouts during a ceremony at the Pack 502 Blue and Gold Banquet held Friday, February 17, 2006 at the Crestview Plaza in Woburn, MA. Paul received the Arrow of Light Award, the Cub Scouting's highest award. In addition, Paul received his Parvuli Dei emblem. This emblem is given in special recognition by the Catholic Church to a Webelos Scout for advancement in spiritual growth and religious knowl-

edge. The emblem is a medal depicting the Holy Family and suspended from a bar that bears the inscription "Parvuli Dei" (Children of God). Paul, the son of Rick and Janet Oliver of Wilmington is a fifth grade student at St. Charles School in Woburn, MA.

Pack 502 is sponsored by St. Charles Borromeo Church.

Paul will join Troop 502 sponsored by St. Charles Borromeo Church.



Sheila Walsh to marry Eric Mangan

Thomas and Maureen Walsh of Wilmington, MA are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Sheila Walsh, to Eric Mangan, son of Michael and Veronica Mangan of Buffalo, NY.

Sheila graduated from Assumption College in 2001 with a Bachelor of Arts in Social and Rehabilitation Services. She attends Simmons College where she will receive her Masters of

Arts in Teaching in May 2006. She is currently a student teacher in a fifth grade class in Brookline, MA.

Eric, originally from Rochester, NY, graduated from SUNY Oswego in May 2000 with a Bachelor of Arts in Broadcasting and Mass Communications. He currently works as a Business Specialist for Bank of America.

A June wedding is planned.



Nolan Carr, Maureen Carr and Jamie O'Brien mingled with guests at the Make-A-Wish Fundraiser dance on Saturday evening, held in memory of sister Colleen O'Brien who was the first child in Massachusetts to receive a wish from the Make-A-Wish Foundation in 1987.

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Tewksbury Boy Scout Pack 49 held their annual Blue and Gold Banquet on Sunday. Jimmy Boucher, age 7, thanked Cub Master, Mike Puleo for his badges. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Fairfield University Dean's List

Fairfield University, a Jesuit university founded in 1942 in Fairfield, Conn., has announced the names of the students from this area who qualified for the dean's list for the fall 2005 semester.

Emily Dorrance, a resident of Wilmington, MA and daughter

of Stephen & Rosamond Dorrance was named to the dean's list.

Emily, a psychology major, is a graduate of Wilmington High School.

Emily's twin sister Erin is on the Dean's List at URI, majoring in Business.

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Tewksbury Library Notes

by Elisabeth DesMarais

Children's rooms a-bloom

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We are proud to announce our new online blog, the Rave Reviews Log for Children's Books! Noelle and Karen in the Children's Room write short reviews of chapter books for kids in grades 2 through 6. The books are also given a rating, with 5 stars being the best. Do you agree with a review? Disagree? Kids and grown ups alike can leave their comments on a book by clicking on the comments link after the review. Kids can also come into the library and write their comments on a Rave Review form and we'll add them to the website for you. You can check out the website by going to www.ravereviewslog.blogspot.com or go to the library's website at tewksburypl.org and click on the link in under our New column!

Wiggle Time

Wiggle Time for 2 year olds will be held on Thursday, March 9, 16, 23 and 30 in two sessions at 10:00 a.m. and 10:30a.m. Join us for stories, songs and finger-plays! Registration is required to attend these story times. You may register your child for any 3 out of the 4 dates. Call 978-640-4490 x204 to register beginning on Tuesday, February 21.

Crafts

Join us for a special Toddler Craft on Thursday, March 2 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Two year olds are invited to make a Flower Picture with us! This is a drop in craft. We will go for 1

hour or until we run out of supplies, whichever comes first! Please, due to limited supplies, no children older than 2 and only one craft per child.

Children ages 3 to 6 can make Wee Little Leprechaun Craft on Monday, March 13 at 11:00 a.m. Registration begins on Tuesday, March 7. Children ages 3 to 6 can make a Handprint Flower Craft on Monday, March 27 at 2:00 p.m. Registration begins on Tuesday, March 21. Preschool crafts are limited to 16 children and take place in our Craft Room. Call 978-640-4490 x204 to register. Call early as spaces do fill quickly. Preschool crafts usually last 30 minutes or less.

Can't wait to our preschool crafts during the week? Try our new monthly Saturday Craft Corner! Our first Craft Corner is on Saturday, March 4 at 11:00 a.m. for ages 3 to 6 when we make a leprechaun. Registration is required and begins on Saturday, February 25. Call 978-640-4490 x204 to register.

Story Time & Book Buddies
Preschool Story Time is a drop in program for ages 3 to 5 is on Tuesdays, Fridays or Saturdays at 11:00am on March 7, 10, 14, 18, 24 and 28. Story times last 30 minutes. No registration is required.

Book Buddies are our book discussion groups for kids! We eat snacks, talk about the book of the month, and do a related activity or craft. No registration is required and new members are always welcome. Book Buddies for grades 2 and 3 is on Thursday, March 2 at 4:00 p.m. in the Craft Room. We'll be discussing Class President by Joanna Hurwitz. Pick up a copy of the book at the Circulation

desk. Book Buddies for grades 4, 5 and 6 is on a new day and time on Tuesday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the Craft Room. We'll be discussing the funny science fiction story Aliens Ate My Homework by Bruce Coville. Pick up a copy of the book at the Circulation Desk.

Kids ages 8 to 12 can create a Crocheted Necklace (or bracelet or anklet) Craft on Tuesday, March 7 at 6:30pm. Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, February 28. Call or stop by to register.

Movie Night

Join us for Movie Night on Tuesday, March 14 at 7:00 p.m. Kids ages 5 to 12 are welcome to drop in. We should be screening Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel. Stay tuned! Movies usually last about 30 minutes.

Chess Club

Don't forget about Chess Club! Chess Club meets the second Tuesday of every month in the first floor meeting room at 6:30 p.m. All ages and skill levels are invited to come. You may bring a board if you wish, but it is not required. No registration is required. March 14 will be the next Chess Club meeting.

Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss

Thursday, March 2 is Dr. Seuss' birthday! It is celebrated nationally every year by the National Education Association as Read Across America Day. Read a Dr. Seuss book or any book to celebrate! Or check out the website for lots of great activities at www.nea.org/readacross.

For more questions or information about programs in the Children's Room, call Noelle or Karen at 978-640-4490 x204 or check out the calendar on our website at tewksburypl.org.



The Muscular Dystrophy Association Fundraiser is a cause near and dear to the heart of Bob Taylor, owner of "The Bury". His daughter Kim has MD and the family picked right up where "Bacci's" left off by continuing to host the annual "Jail and Bail" fundraising event which raised over \$22,000 on Tuesday.

(front) Kim Taylor (back l-r) Abbey Phillips, District Director from North Shore District of MDA, Beth Ortins, Program Coordinator, Regina Paglia, Manager of "The Bury" and Bob Taylor. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



Wilmington Library Notes

by Christina Stewart

MIT Professor is Keynote Speaker Wilmington's Jane Austen Book Club

Ruth Perry, Professor of Literature at MIT, will be the keynote speaker for Wilmington's Jane Austen Book Club on Wednesday, March 15th at 7 p.m. Professor Perry is an internationally acclaimed authority on 18th century English literature and culture and has lectured all over the world. She spoke at the Jane Austen Society of American Conference in Boston in 2000 and is currently writing a volume of essays on Jane Austen. Professor Perry's presentation will focus on Jane Austen's writing of Pride and Prejudice with comparison to the recent film adaptations. Refreshments similar to the food in Jane Austen's novels will follow the presentation. Free tickets are required for this program and are available at the circulation desk. You may call the library at 978-658-2967 to reserve your tickets. Thanks to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring this program.

Film Adaptation of Pride and Prejudice - March 7

The library will be showing the movie based on the book Pride and Prejudice starring Kiera Knightly on Tuesday, March 7 at 6:30 p.m. Please arrive early because seating is limited. The film will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be available.

Jane Austen Websites

For links to Jane Austen websites, go to the library's website www.wilmingtonlibrary.org. Share your thoughts on Jane Austen on the Jane Austen Blog.

Library Sponsors Annual Poetry Contest

The Wilmington Memorial Library celebrates Poetry

Month in April by sponsoring an annual poetry contest. The 2006 theme for the poetry contest is "Water." Suggested ideas include but are not limited to: bodies of water, water as a symbol, water and destruction, water sports, water conservation, water for health and survival and the physical properties of water. Deadline for submission of poems is Friday, March 31st. Applications and contest rules are available at the library and on the library's web site at www.wilmingtonlibrary.org. Winners will be invited to the Annual Poetry Night on April 27th to read their poems and receive their awards.

Upcoming Teen Events

Teen Movie Night:

Mon., Mar. 13 6:30 p.m.

Drop-in

This month we're showing the film based on the novel A Walk To Remember by Nicholas Sparks. (Film is rated PG). Come watch this movie on the big screen with your friends. We'll provide the free popcorn. All teens who attend will have a chance to win a paperback copy of A Walk To Remember (donated by the Friends of the Library).

Teen Book Club

Thurs., Mar. 16 3:30 p.m.

Drop-in

Teens meet monthly to talk about a common book they have read. This month the book is The Amulet of Samarkand (Book one of the Bartimaeus Trilogy) by Jonathan Stroud. This book is a very popular fantasy novel. Readers who loved Harry Potter might like this book. Teens will eat foods mentioned in the book and also be entered in a drawing to win a book (courtesy of the Friends of the Library). Extra copies of this book are available at the

library.

Dungeons and Dragons

Fri., Mar. 17 3:00 to 4:45 p.m.
Drop-in

Students in grades six and up are invited to participate in this popular fantasy role-playing game. All level of players (beginner, intermediate, advanced) are welcome.

Upcoming Children's Programs

Children's Movie Night

Showing on Wednesday, March 8th at 6 p.m. will be the movie based on the best-selling children's book by J. K. Rowling, Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire. Bring something comfortable to sit on - free lemonade and popcorn will be served. Rated: PG-13.

Star Mag Meeting

Kids ages eight and older are invited to drop-in on Wednesday, March 8th at 3:30 p.m. with their finished original artwork, puzzles, poems, comics, jokes, etc., as contributions to the spring issue of the magazine written by, for and about kids, and published by the library. Refreshments will be served and a door prize will be awarded.

Book Discussions

Join children ages seven and older for their book discussion of A Case for Jenny Archer by Ellen Conford to be held on Friday, March 3rd at 3:30 pm. A light snack will be provided. So You Want to Be a Wizard by Diane Duane will be discussed by children ages nine and older on Friday, March 10th at 3:30 pm. Copies of the books may be reserved by visiting or calling the Children's Room at (978) 694-2098. Drop-in for discussion, snacks, and a door prize, provided by the Friends of the Library.



Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce held a business card mixer in Tewksbury at the Holiday Inn on Tuesday evening. Shawn Dillon of Dillon Law Firm P.C., Catherine Cepaitis, from the Holiday Inn, Tracy Clement of Enterprise Bank, and Bill Duffy of William Duffy Printing made up the group representing Tewksbury businesses. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

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(Paul Chinappi photo)

Lauren Gearty on Holy Cross Dean's List

WORCESTER - Lauren P. Gearty, a third year student at the College of the Holy Cross, has been named to the Dean's List for the first semester of the 2005-06 academic year. Lauren is the daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. John and Doria Gearty of Wilmington. She is majoring in Art History.

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Wildwood & Boutwell

Monday: Popcorn chicken, baked potato rounds, baby carrots, wheat dinner roll, pineapple.

Tuesday: Cheese ravioli, tomato sauce, green beans, pears.

Wednesday: Teriyaki chicken, fluffy rice, green peas, mandarin oranges.

Thursday: Hot dog on a roll, oven fries, steamed corn, fresh fruit.

Friday: Pizza Day. Steamed vegetable, assorted fruit.

Wilmington Elementary

Monday: Chicken patty on a roll, baked potato rounds, green peas, cinnamon apple slices.

Tuesday: Pizza dippers, marinara sauce, green beans, pears.

Wednesday: Hamburger or cheeseburger, oven fries, baby carrots, pineapple chunks.

Thursday: Popcorn chicken, potato smiles, sweet corn, wheat roll, orange slices.

Friday: Pizza wedge, veggie of the day, fruit cup.

Wilmington Middle School

Monday: Chicken patty on a roll, oven fries, veggie medley, pineapple chunks.

Tuesday: French toast sticks, baked sausage, baby carrots, applesauce.

Wednesday: Chicken nuggets, baked potato rounds, sweet corn, wheat roll, orange slices.

Thursday: BBQ rib on a roll, potato smiles, green peas, sliced peaches.

Friday: Pizza wedge, steamed veggie, assorted fruit cup.

Wilmington High School

Monday: Hamburger or cheeseburger or veggie burger,

baked potato rounds steamed corn, sliced peaches.

Tuesday: Pasta with tomato sauce, meatballs, wheat roll, green beans, chilled pears.

Wednesday: Steak and cheese sub, oven fries, vegetable medley, pineapple chunks.

Thursday: Chicken patty, potato wedges, carrots, cinnamon applesauce.

Friday: Stuff Crust Pizza, vegetable of the day, mixed fruit cup.

TEWKSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Monday: Meatball sub, potato wedge, vegetable of the day, fruit roll up, fruit or juice, milk variety.

Tuesday: Shepherd's pie, mashed potato, vegetable, carrots, roll and butter, fruit or juice, milk variety.

Wednesday: Hot dog on a roll, baked beans, cottage cheese, vegetable of the day, pretzels, fruit or juice, milk variety.

Thursday: Beef taco or chili,

lett/tom/cheese, oven roasted potato wedge, beans, salsa, sour cream, fruit or juice, milk variety.

Friday: Galaxy pizza, vegetable pasta salad, vegetable of the day, teddy grahams, fruit or juice, milk variety.

SHAWSHEEN TECH

Monday: Baked lasagna w/meat sauce, green beans, tossed salad, whole wheat roll, fresh and canned fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken nuggets with dipping sauce, mashed potato, corn, whole wheat roll, fresh and canned fruit, milk.

Wednesday: French toast with sausage links, syrup, orange juice, fresh fruit cup, milk.

Thursday: Baked mac & cheese, mixed veggie, whole wheat roll, fresh and canned fruit, milk.

Friday: Sal's whole wheat pizza, tossed salad, fresh and canned fruit, milk.

Locals on Bentley's Dean' List

WALTHAM - Bentley's Dean of Arts and Science, Catherine Davy, and Dean of Business, Margrethe Olson, recently announced the names of local residents who were named to the President's List for extraordinary academic achievement and to the Dean's List for outstanding academic achievement in the fall 2005 semester.

To be named to the President's List, a full-time student must have a grade point average of 3.7 or higher with no course grade below 3.0 during the term.

To be named to the Dean's List, a full-time student must have a grade point average of 3.3 or higher with no course grade below 2.0 during the term.

Michael A. Tocci of Wilmington, a senior Marketing major and Stephen M. Emery also of Wilmington, a freshman Economics-Finance major, was named to the Dean's List.

Lauren E. Crowley, of Wilmington, a junior finance major, D. Ryan Jeanette of Wilmington, a sophomore undecided business major, Clayton J. Huynh of Wilmington, a freshman management major and Michael Russell Hackett also of Wilmington, a freshman undecided business major were all named to President's List.

Wilmington Chamber Notes



Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendars

- **March 28th** - Networking Breakfast meeting 7:30 - 9:00 a.m. Health Insurance for self-employed & Small Business presented by Jack Macintosh Bay State Financial @ Berway Visual Products 668 Main Street, Wilmington
- **April 26th** - Annual Chamber Meeting 12 - 2 p.m. @ Knights of Columbus, Wilmington
- **May** - To Be Announced Business Networking Social
- **June 9th** - Annual Golf Tournament @ Thompson Country Club in North Reading

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Tiger Cub, Alexander Norton, age 6, enjoyed a pasta dinner at the Blue and Gold Banquet held on Sunday at the St. William's School.



Connor Eckelkamp and Justin Ekstrom handed their "Soap box Derby" cars to Weeblos Den Leader Mark Fregeau before the big race on Sunday.

(Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Tewksbury Senior Topics

The Senior Dance, which was to be held on March 24th at the Elks hall, has been cancelled due to lack of interest.

The Rod & Gun Club will be holding a St. Patrick's Dinner Dance on Saturday, March 18th at the Club. The price is \$12.00 per person and includes a corned beef dinner and dancing. You may purchase a ticket at the Senior Center for this event or you may purchase one from a member of the Rod & Gun Club.

A Senior Center Cootie Party will be held at 460 East Street tomorrow beginning at 12:45 p.m. All are welcome.

A new tax assistant Carol Beaulieu, along with Ralph Luongo, will be helping Tewksbury Senior Citizens with their tax returns. Both assistants will be at the Senior Center one day a week. You may call Carol Hazel at (978) 640-4482 to have your name put on the list for an appointment.

March is Colorectal Screening Month and Meg Lemire-Berthol, MSN will be coming to the Senior Center on Friday, March 10th at 9:00 to speak about early detection. All are welcome to attend this informational meeting.

The Senior Yard Sale to be held on Saturday, March 11th at the Tewksbury Hospital Old Chapel has sold out all of its

tables. If you would like to be put on a waiting list you may do so by calling the Senior Center at (978) 640-4482. Don't forget to stop by and pick up some good bargains the day of the sale.

A trip for Foxwood Casino has been planned for March 21st. Ticket sales began on Monday, February 27th at 8:00 a.m. at the White House (Senior Center). At this time there may be some tickets left for you to purchase. Just stop by or call and Senior Center at 978 640-4480 and the staff will let you know if there are any tickets remaining.

Those wishing to take Oil painting classes with Artist Eileen Griffin, please call Carol Hazel to place your name of the class list. The fee for a 10 week semester is \$80 per person. Classes will begin on April 3rd.

Just a reminder, that one of our seniors, Julie Brown, has volunteered to cut hair for a small fee of \$10.00. She is donating a portion of her fee to the Senior Center Expansion Fund. If you would like to have a haircut on a Wednesday morning, call Carol at the Senior Center to set you up with an appointment.

The following Red Hat events are scheduled for the upcoming months:

Wednesday, March 22nd, Soup

and Sandwich night at the Elks Hall, 5:30 p.m. with a Presentation on Emergency Preparedness & Canadian Dice - \$6 per person.

Saturday, June 24th Newport Flower Show/Rosecliff Mansion & lunch at the Atlantic Beach Club - \$69 per person - Deposits of \$29 are now being accepted.

Tickets are now available from a Red Hat Member.

Have a Healthy and Happy Week

Don't Forget Spring Starts the 20th of this Month!

Tewksbury and Wilmington students on dean's list at Suffolk

BOSTON - The following students from Wilmington and Tewksbury were named to the Deans List at Suffolk University in Boston for the fall semester of the 2005-2006 academic year.

Tewksbury: Siobhan Healey, Nicole Hynes, Nicole Russell, Diana Sabra, Michelle Salvato, Jennifer Santos. Wilmington: Patrick Taylor, Patrick Storey, Michelle Rappoli, Annika Khan, Warren Cormier, Ashley Greco, Peter Karapatsas, Jacqueline Robarge, Renee Waitt.

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Pack 136 held their Pinewood Derby on Sunday afternoon. For you non-Cub Scouts, a Pinewood Derby is where the Cub Scouts get to race the cars they made with their dads which were made from a block of wood. Some Scouts get very fancy and some cars look like a block of wood with wheels, but each Scout has a thrill of competition with a car he made by hand. Here Zachary Duarte, Camden Connor, Nicholas Gorham, Connor Kilbride, and Matthew Anthony check out the competition in preparation for the Pinewood Derby held at Villa Nova Hall in Wilmington. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

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A "home court" from the Celtics

"RE/MAX of New England Home Court Program" set to give Celtics fans a full driveway "Home Court" makeover, community clinic

BOSTON - The Boston Celtics and RE/MAX of New England today announced the launch of a community-based initiative entitled the "RE/MAX of New England Home Court Program." The RE/MAX of New England Home Court Program will renovate the home basketball courts of three lucky fans with a Celtics theme. As part of the contest the Celtics and RE/MAX of New England will also host a free basketball clinic in the community of each winner. Both the makeover and clinic will feature a member of the Celtics team.

The Celtics and RE/MAX of New England will hold three separate contests, taking fan submissions consisting of a 500-word essay along with photos explaining why they need a "Home Court Makeover". Three lucky fans will be chosen to get their home basketball courts made over, starting with a driveway or court resealing, a

brand new basket stanchion, backboard, electronic scoreboard, a ball rack and other Celtics-themed adornments. In addition to the hoop makeover, the Celtics will conduct a youth basketball clinic to be held in the community of each winner after completion of the renovations.

"The RE/MAX Homecourt Program provides a great opportunity for the Celtics and our players to interact with fans in the communities they live in," said Rich Gotham, the Celtics Executive Vice President of Sales and Marketing. "We are proud to partner with RE/MAX in this unique community program."

Winners of each contest will be determined in three different ways. Celtics players and coaches will select the first winner; an online fan poll will decide the second winner; and a special selection committee featuring local media members will name the final winner.

"RE/MAX of New England is proud to partner with the Boston Celtics on a great community initiative," Chuck Lemire, RE/MAX of New England Executive Vice President and Regional Director explained. "This unique program solidifies RE/MAX of New England and the Celtics commitment to developing a unique and creative project that truly benefits our communities."

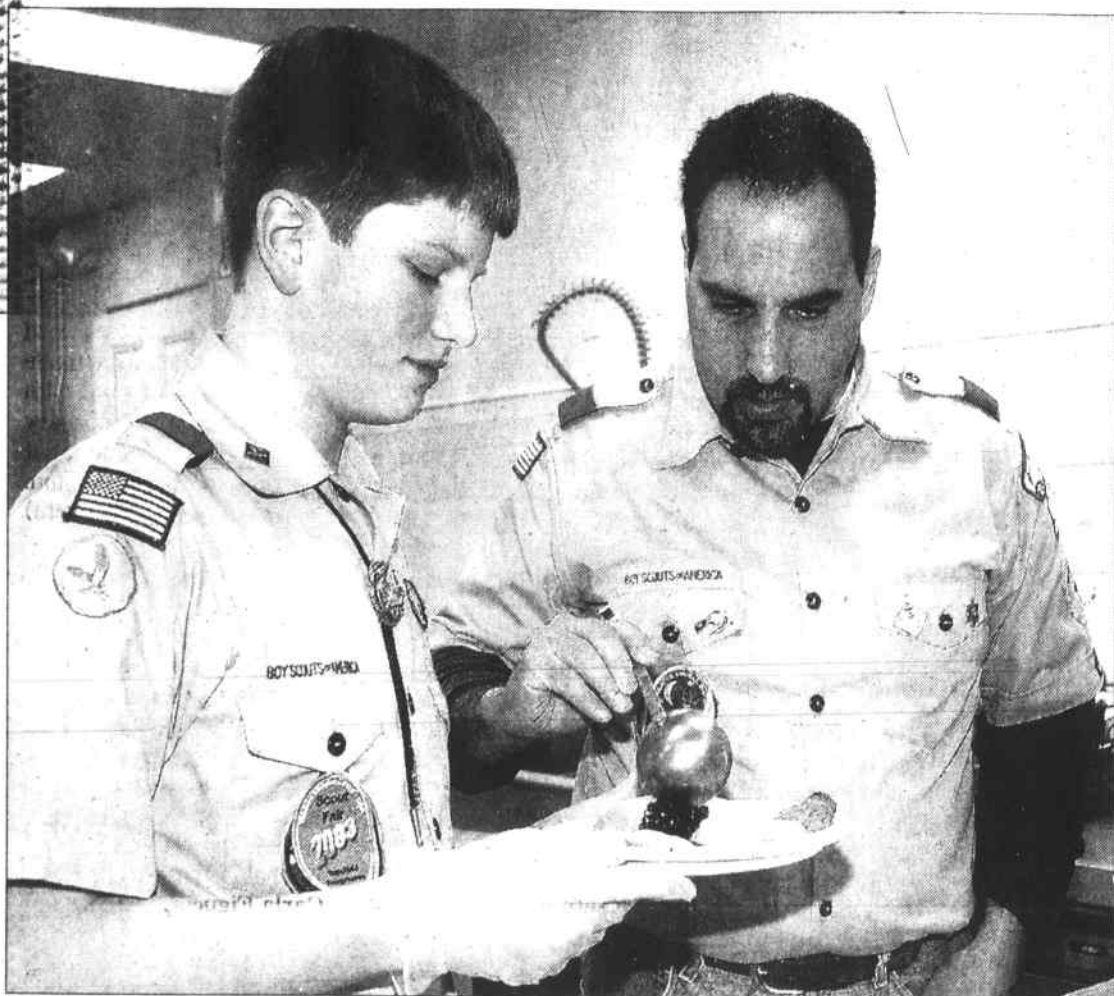
For more information on the RE/MAX Home Court Program, including how to enter, fans can log on to www.celtics.com.

RE/MAX of New England is affiliated with RE/MAX International. Since its inception in 1986, RE/MAX of New England has grown to over 295 offices with 4,000 sales associates throughout Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont, providing residential and commercial real estate, as

well as relocation and referral services. RE/MAX of New England's Internet web address is www.greathomesne.com.

About The Boston Celtics

A charter member of the Basketball Association of America (which evolved into the National Basketball Association) since 1946, the Boston Celtics have won a record 16 NBA Championships, including eight (8) in a row from 1959-1966, and have won NBA titles in three different eras. In addition, 29 former Celtics players, management or staff have been inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame. In December 2002 the team returned to local ownership for the first time since 1963. During the 2004-05 NBA season, the Celtics won their first Atlantic Division title in 12 seasons. For more information on the Celtics, log on to www.celtics.com.



Scout Ryan Breslin stopped to have blueberries added to the order of pancakes he was serving to guests at the 10th annual Troop 56 appreciation breakfast. The breakfast was to thank the church for their support over the years. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

O'Shriner's St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance

WILMINGTON - The Aleppo Shriners are hosting a dinner dance on Saturday, March 18, at 6:00 p.m. in Aleppo's "Irish Pub", the Aleppo O'Fiz Room at the Shriners Auditorium, 99 Fordham Rd., Wilmington.

Tickets are \$18 per person, and includes a Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner, music and a whole lot o' fun with your hosts Fred and Bonnie Shaw. Enjoy Irish music by D.J. Ron Hurst and dancing by the Heavey-Quinn Academy of Irish Dance. Social Hour is at 6:00 p.m. and dinner 7:00 p.m. Call Maribel now for your reserved tickets at 978-657-4202 ext. 16.

Bozzella and Frank on Dean's List at University of Rochester

Michael Jason Bozzella and Jamie Caitlyn Frank were both named to the Dean's List at the University of Rochester in Rochester, N.Y. for the fall 2005 semester.

Michael, the son of Michael

U. Mass Lowell Dean's List

The University of Massachusetts Lowell has released its Fall Semester 2005 Dean's List students from Tewksbury and Wilmington. A grade point average of at least 3.0 with no grade lower than a B must be achieved for inclusion on the Dean's List.

Charlene Aalerud	Tewksbury	Sophomore
Doreen Duquette	Tewksbury	Senior
Adam Butland	Tewksbury	Senior
Jason Sullivan	Tewksbury	Senior
Jennifer Clark	Tewksbury	Sophomore
Christine Hannus	Tewksbury	Junior
Julianne Bradley	Tewksbury	Junior
Roy Amaral	Tewksbury	Senior
John Drinkwater	Tewksbury	Senior
Taylor King	Tewksbury	Freshman
Jason Santos	Tewksbury	Senior
Erica Chin	Tewksbury	Junior
Michael Camoscio	Tewksbury	Junior
Justin Chin	Tewksbury	Freshman
Angela Trombino	Tewksbury	Sophomore
Julie Salvato	Tewksbury	Senior
Jennifer Skoropowski	Tewksbury	Senior
Erin Clarke	Tewksbury	Senior
Kyle Corsetti	Tewksbury	Senior
Kristina Reinold	Tewksbury	Sophomore
Jason Gatto	Tewksbury	Freshman
Kristin Palladino	Tewksbury	Junior
Tiffany Konick	Tewksbury	Sophomore
Patricia Lane	Tewksbury	Senior
James Reynolds	Tewksbury	Sophomore
Dawn Goulart	Tewksbury	Junior
Maura Mortimer	Tewksbury	Senior
Anthony D'Errico	Tewksbury	Freshman
Kristyn Ferro	Tewksbury	Senior
Jodi Cronin	Tewksbury	Freshman
Kristine Naughton-Chapman	Tewksbury	Sophomore
Danielle Barry	Tewksbury	Senior
Kristin Lamb	Tewksbury	Senior
Matthew Belmonte	Tewksbury	Senior
Sarah Zimmermann	Wilmington	Junior
Allea Scifo	Wilmington	Junior
Lauren Bolognese	Wilmington	Junior
Christyne DeMango	Wilmington	Senior
Konstantine Fettatsidis	Wilmington	Junior
Adrienne Williams	Wilmington	Senior
Jared Miller	Wilmington	Freshman
Il-Que Kim	Wilmington	Sophomore
Lisa Gustafson	Wilmington	Freshman
Lindsey Waugh	Wilmington	Senior
Patrick Vautour	Wilmington	Junior
Kathleen Marshall	Wilmington	Senior
Raymond Spinazola	Wilmington	Senior
Nicole Bartlett	Wilmington	Freshman
Brian O'Rourke	Wilmington	Sophomore
Erin Carney	Wilmington	Junior
Michael Damplo	Wilmington	Freshman

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Shattuck and Steinberg named to Boston University Dean's List

(Boston) - Two Wilmington residents have recently been named to the dean's list at Boston University for the fall semester.

Students recognized for this honor include: Brad E. Shattuck, Natasha Steinberg.

Boston University is the fourth largest independent university in the United States,

with an enrollment of more than 29,000 students in its 17 schools and colleges. The university offers an exceptional grounding in the liberal arts, a broad range of programs in the arts, sciences, engineering, and professional areas, and state-of-the-art facilities for teaching and research.

Northeastern University announces fall semester 2005 dean's list

BOSTON Mass - Northeastern University is pleased to recognize those students who distinguish themselves academically during the course of the school year.

The following Wilmington students were recently named to the University's dean's list for the fall semester 2005, which ended in December 2005:

Katrina L. Lambert, majoring in Business Administration
Kaitlyn McNamara, majoring

in Liberal Arts - Science.

Kerri Moynihan, majoring in Accounting.

Holly B. Taylor, majoring in Physical Therapy.

Kathryn E. Vitale, majoring in Nursing.

To achieve the dean's list distinction, students must carry a full program of at least four courses, have a quality point average of 3.25 or greater out of a possible 4.0 and carry no single grade lower than a C during the course of their college career.

Tewksbury earns \$89,648 in insurance credits

At its annual meeting on January 14, 2006, the Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association (MIIA) announced that, during the last three years, the Town of Tewksbury has earned \$89,648 in property & liability insurance premium credits as a result of the town's active participation in the MIIA Rewards Program. Tewksbury has actively participated in the MIIA Rewards Program since its inception in FY 2003. Tewksbury was also one of just five MIIA member towns to receive a Loss Control Award at the annual meeting.

In the FY05 Rewards Program both municipal and school personnel participated in seminars, ranging from the Massachusetts Department of Discrimination's MCAD's seminar on "Managing Reasonable Accommodations in the Workplace" to "Sewer Backups and Overflows". They participated in professional development courses such as Performance Appraisal and Team Building and Managing Employees in Stressful times. They also addressed their property and general liability exposure by attending the Property

Conservation/Roof Inspection and Freeze-Up Prevention and Confined Space Entry Program Seminars. Tewksbury employees also participated in training and educational opportunities in the area of public officials, school board and law enforcement liability. Tewksbury has continually supported MIIA Loss Control Programs through their participation in seminars and commitment to safety and loss control.

This is the third year in a row that MIIA has offered this innovative incentive program called the "MIIA Rewards Program" to its members. Town officials and employees are asked to complete certain activities intended to minimize the town's future insurance claims and, in return, earn credits to reduce their insurance premiums. "The goal of the program is to reward MIIA members for going the extra mile to implement sound risk management practices that help lower the cost of insurance for their municipality," said Jeff Siena, MIIA's Loss Control Manager. "Risk management has always been a top priority for MIIA. We are pleased to continue this successful program that

allows us to work with our members minimizing claims. The more successful we are at collectively reducing claims, the lower insurance premiums will be. MIIA Rewards offers our members an opportunity to achieve these goals," said Stanley Corcoran, Executive Vice President of MIIA.

Participation in the program is voluntary, however most members recognize the incredible opportunity to save the town money while, at the same time, taking steps to minimize claims and control losses. Over 245 MIIA members participated in this year's program and earned nearly \$1.3 million in insurance savings. In three years, the MIIA Rewards Program has returned over \$3 million to its members.

MIIA, as a member-driven non-profit insurance arm of the Massachusetts Municipal Association, "pools" the premiums paid by Massachusetts cities and towns, pays member's claims, and helps members manage their risks. MIIA currently insures 350 cities, towns, and other public entities in Massachusetts.

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PHOTO FINISH: Pack 136 Tiger Cubs Matthew Anthony and Conor Kilbride watched their cars cross the finish line during the "Pinewood Derby" on Sunday at the Villa Nova Hall. Each car is a hand-made classic. Scouts have been doing this for generations. Perhaps, tucked away in the attic is your dad's Pinewood Derby car. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)

Shooting

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struck a telephone pole on Andover Street in Billerica.

According to Chief Rosa, Croteau then exited the vehicle and refused to surrender. A brief struggle ensued, during which Officer O'Neill was shot. Croteau was taken into custody and is being held at the Tewksbury Police Department.

It is unclear whose weapon shot O'Neill. Chief Donovan said, "somebody's weapon was drawn, and somebody got

shot."

An unidentified Billerica officer was injured in the crash, but Chief Rosa reported that he was being treated and released.

According to police, Croteau has an extensive criminal record.

Chief Rosa described the situation as a "confusing scene," and said the incident is under investigation by the Billerica and Tewksbury Police Departments, along with the assistance of the State Police.

Welcome Home!

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accepted as short term missionaries. They had to raise the funds to live for 2 years as part of that acceptance process. They arrived in Bonaire in February 2004 and just returned home this month with smiles that say, "Job well done." Their daughter and her husband lived in and maintained their house while they were away.

Bonaire is known for its beautiful ocean waters and sea life. It has become a haven for scuba diving, snorkeling and windsurfing, so there is a very high tourist presence. The island itself is comprised of 111 square miles of coral and volcanic rock. Bonaire is very proactive about its ecology and has taken many steps to preserve it. No coral, conk shells, etc. are allowed to leave the island, for instance. There is a much different assortment of plants and animals than one would find in Wilmington, as you'd well imagine. Cactus grows in abundance and it's common to see iguanas, parrots, scorpions and even wild donkeys with a stripe indicating they are relatives to the zebra. The temperature stays at 84 to 92 degrees and the humidity gets quite high, thus, creating a reliance on air conditioners for comfort; at least for the non-natives.

Jon and Deborah enjoy the outdoors so Jon partook of the

scuba diving while Deborah preferred to snorkel. Together, they admired the natural beauty of the ocean, the desert and rock caves and apparently adjusted quite well to the local seafood culinary delights which include Mahi-Mahi, Wahoo, Swordfish and Dardu.

They managed to escape the damaging hurricanes of the last two seasons, but just barely, as hurricane Ivan tracked only 95 miles to the north just brushing the northern tip of the island and causing the governor to close the island from the day before until the day after the storm passed.

Deborah says her favorite facet of the experience was meeting people from all over the world. Jon recalled, as one of his most memorable experiences, saving the day and keeping the station on the air even though it meant circumventing a certain rule to do it. He remembers being thanked and chewed out by the same person for that, namely his boss.

Their mission in Bonaire is now behind them and Wilmington rejoices in the return of a native son and daughter. They are very glad to be back home again. The radio station and all the people they met and became friends with there will certainly feel the loss of their absence. But their loss is our gain. Welcome home.

Boston University graduates Wilmington residents

Boston — Boston University awarded academic degrees to 1,306 students in January 2006.

Receiving degrees were Wilmington residents Kathleen M. Barry, D.P.T. in Physical Therapy; Natasha Steinberg, B.A. in Hispanic Language and Literatures, cum laude.

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versity in the United States, with an enrollment of more than 29,000 students in its 17 schools and colleges. The university offers an exceptional grounding in the liberal arts, a broad range of programs in the arts, sciences, engineering, and professional areas, and state-of-the-art facilities for teaching and research.

Arlington Catholic honor roll

The following students from Wilmington have made the Honor Roll for the Second Quarter at Arlington Catholic High School. Good work and congratulations to all of them!

Alicia Cadigan, Class of 2006, received Honors.
Justin Cerra, Class of 2008, received Second Honors.
Brittany Danehy, Class of 2008, received Honors.
Cosette Hirschfeld, Class of 2006, received Second Honors.
Amanda Kruse, Class of 2006, received Honors.
Jacqueline LaLiberte, Class of 2006, received Honors.
Gabriella Mirabella, Class of 2007, received Honors.
Elizabeth Morrissey, Class of 2006, received Second Honors.
Dana Nolan, Class of 2007, received Honors.
Meghan O'Rourke, Class of 2007, received Honors.
Danielle O'Shea, Class of 2006, received Second Honors.
Jeremy Ridore, Class of 2009, received Honors.
Lauren Tuttle, Class of 2006, received Second Honors.
Kelly Walsh, Class of 2009, received Second Honors.
Mark Walsh, Class of 2007, received Honors.

Landfill

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paper, as garbage was still being collected on a separate route.

It was common practice for pig farmers to establish garbage routes. Their crews would go door-to-door, collecting food waste, which would be cooked and fed to the pigs. There were several pig farms in the area that had garbage collection routes, usually under contract to various towns. For several years, Wilmington contracted with Canalas, and later with Mastroianni Bros. of Winchester. Most homes would have a garbage pail in the back yard, often an underground unit. Youngsters were assigned the unpleasant chore of occasionally scrubbing out the pail.

The closure of the Canalas dump saw the opening of a new dump off Old Main Street, near the Woburn city line. It was owned by a Woburn resident, Clarence Spinazola, otherwise known as "Clem." He operated the dump under contract to the town. By the time the dump closed in 1976, the town was paying him \$50,000 a

year. Wilmington residents were allowed to dump their refuse, but there was a strict identification check to stop non-residents from dumping. In 1971, the town posted a police officer at the dump to check addresses, and on weekends there would be long lines of people wanting to access the dump.

This writer witnessed an exchange between Spinazola and a young man from North Wilmington. The young man had cleaned out the loft of his father's garage, and the debris included a large batch of old invoices, which had a Boston address. The invoices had been stored in the garage in North Wilmington for many years.

Clem came over to inspect the material being dumped. Once he saw the Boston address on the papers, he accused the young man of bringing in trash from Boston to dump in Wilmington. They almost came to blows.

Every spring, there was another ritual at the dump, when candidates for town office would be on hand to ask for their vote.

The Spinazola property was once a pig farm. Spinazola would rent part of the barn to a pig farmer. He also rented space to Reuben "Ruby" Frankel, who had a business

recycling wooden boxes for fruit and produce. He would visit supermarkets and collect the boxes, and then store them in the barn at Spinazola's. Then just before harvest time, he would sell them to farmers in the area. Eventually, the barn and all the boxes burned. "Ruby" later went into the antiques business and was a member of the Friendship Lodge of Masons. He was a wiry, small man with a very large spirit, and he overcame many setbacks in life.

In the early 1970s, the town began looking at alternative sites for the dump. The primary concern at the time was cost. The selectmen voted in 1972 to develop an old gravel pit near the dump as the new dump. It became known as "Site One." There were other proposals. Then-Selectman Jim Miceli favored a site north of Route 125, but it was nixed by the water commissioners.

The dump question lay silent until 1976. In 1975, following a major fire at the Middleton dump, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Quality Engineering (DEQE) began examining dumps. Although Wilmington's dump was termed a "sanitary landfill," it was deemed not up to state standards. The town came under considerable pressure to

close the dump. Spinazola and town officials met with the assistant attorney general, representing the DEQE. Eventually Spinazola signed an agreement to close down the dump.

Meanwhile, the town meeting of March 1976 was in a dither about the dump. On March 13, the voters nixed Site One, and the meeting adjourned with no solution. When the meeting resumed a week later, discussion went on for nearly eight hours on the dump question. Eventually, the town voted to appropriate \$130,000 for a transfer station.

In late April 1976, Town Manager Sterling Morris asked for bids for contractors to collect and dispose of rubbish. There were 13 bidders, and the contract was awarded to Browning-Ferris Industries (BFI).

But the controversy was not finished. On June 10, 1976, a suit was filed against the selectmen, the town manager and "Brown and Ferris" (sic) attempting to block the trucking of rubbish out of town. The suit was dismissed.

On June 21, 1976, BFI began operations. Paul Godzyk stopped his residential service. BFI initially was hauling to the Rocco dump in Tewksbury. That led to some negotiations between the Tewksbury and Wilmington selectmen, since that town considered it illegal for out-of-town rubbish to be brought to the Rocco dump.

One disgruntled resident attempted to stuff a bag of trash in a window. The bag was found outside the back door of town hall.

A petition was sent to the town manager with 800 signatures, but the town manager was not the one who could call a special town meeting. Another petition was sent, this time to the town clerk, and on July 29, a special town meeting was held. Kevin Berrigan offered a motion to void the contract with BFI. That motion lost, 86 to 52.

Paul Godzyk then offered a motion to have the town issue a dump permit to Spinazola. The moderator ruled that motion out of order.

No other action was taken. The town dump was a dead duck.

Our Family would like to thank the Wilmington Police Department for their efforts to memorialize and honor Sergeant Arthur J. Kelley. We are truly appreciative of their efforts, support and professionalism during a difficult time in our lives. Having dress uniform officers both at the wake and the funeral served to remind us of the pride we felt for him and what he accomplished in life. We know that Sergeant Kelley would have been honored to have the Wilmington Police Department supporting his family and friends in their time of need. For this, we sincerely thank you.

— The Family of Arthur J. Kelley

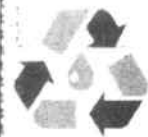
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Ryan Quigley graduates boot camp

Ryan P. Quigley has just recently completed 8 weeks of Naval Boot Camp at the Great Lakes Recruit Training Center in Illinois.

A 2005 graduate of Wilmington High School, Ryan was a member of the football and basketball teams. Now based at the Naval Station at Great Lakes, Ryan begins his 14 weeks of training in electronics.

Ryan is the son of Mike and Kathy Quigley and grandson of Claire Conrad all of Wilmington. Ryan's family and friends wish him success and safety in his new endeavor.



Wilmington Senior Lunches

Week of March 6, 2006

Monday: Oven fried chicken, mashed potato, green peas, pumpernickel bread, cinnamon apples.

Tuesday: Italian sausage with marinara sauce, rotini, steamed broccoli, wheat roll, peaches, ice cream.

Wednesday: Hamburger or cheeseburger, baked potato, baby carrots, pears.

Thursday: Baked ham with pineapple, mashed sweet potato, sweet corn, multi-grain bread, dessert.

Friday: Stuffed shells with marinara sauce, garlic bread, green beans, orange slices, cookie.

Butters Farm

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chase, historical easements would be established to protect the structure from future threat. Then the house could be rented or sold for a profit.

According to Town Manager Michael Caira, if approved at town meeting, the \$450,000 would most likely be raised through a borrowing of the funds on a five-year bond. The total cost over that five-year period, based on an interest rate of 5 percent, would be \$517,500. Caira stressed that interest rates are expected to fluctuate in the near future and a 5 percent rate was used only to present a potential figure.

Harris asked Caira to continue investigating potential town-owned lots that might be traded to Northeastern Development for a lower price on the Butters Farm land.

The Historical Commission will continue its efforts to raise money for the cause.

A number of fundraisers to benefit the Butters Farm,

including a spaghetti dinner and raffles, sponsored by the Wilmington Minute Men are scheduled for March.

In November Butters Farm was designated as one of the state's 10 Most Endangered Historic Resources of 2005. The list is compiled by Preservation Massachusetts, the Commonwealth's only statewide historic preservation non-profit organization.

The William Butters Farmhouse is a half saltbox house built by William Butters II in or around 1682 and has been lived in continuously for more than 320 years. It is believed to be the second oldest house in Wilmington and the oldest unchanged dwelling.

William Butters, father to William Butters II, was one of Wilmington's earliest settlers. He discovered the Butters apple, which later became the Baldwin apple, and a statue currently stands on the lot adjacent to Butters Farm.

memorializing the discovery.

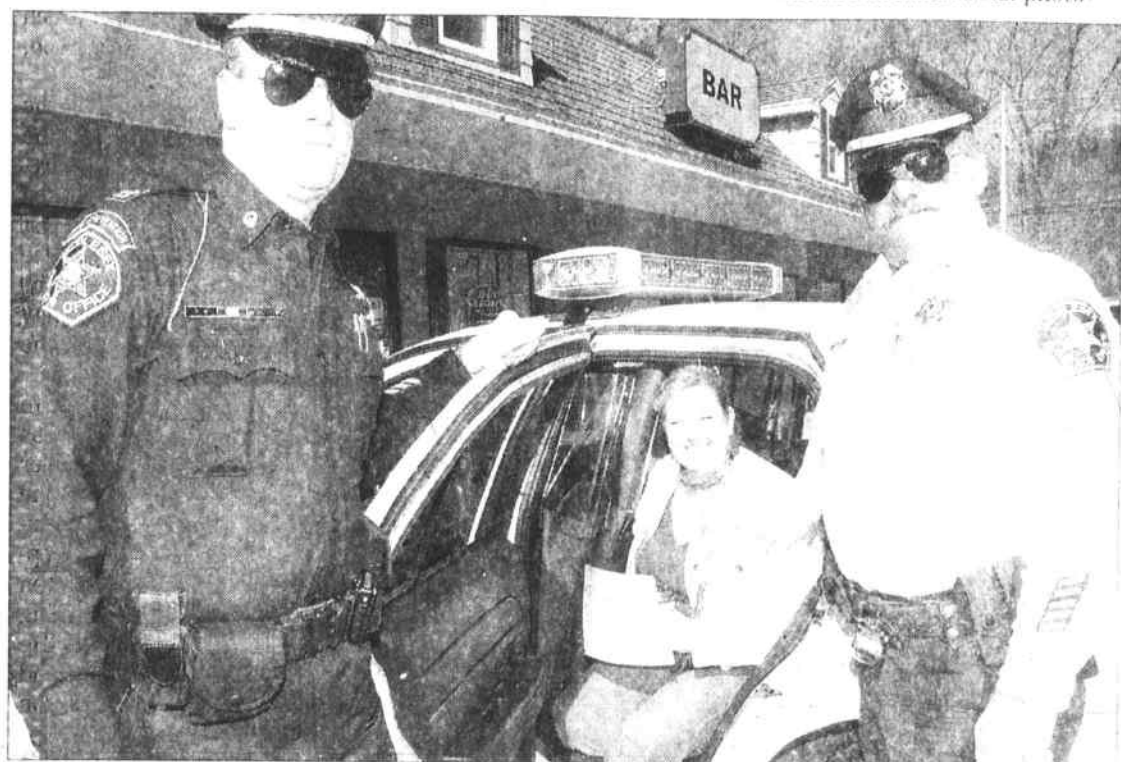
William Butters II is believed to have been his only child and is believed to be the first white child born in Wilmington. He was part of the committee that negotiated with the Woburn minister for the separation of Wilmington from Woburn. He then served on Wilmington's first board of selectmen.

The Historical Commission has set up an informational website at www.buttersfarm.org and has established an account to accept donations for the purchase restoration of the property.

Donations may be sent to Town of Wilmington, "Save the Butters Farm" Treasurer's Office, Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887-3131. Checks should be made out to "Town of Wilmington" with "Save the Butters Farm" written in the memo area.



Troop 56 Scout Joe Warren served a cup of coffee to Mary Aruda as she finished breakfast with Shirley Plouff and Wayne Aruda at the Congregational Church Troop 56 appreciation breakfast. The Troop hosted the congregation at breakfast to say "Thank You" for sponsoring the Troop. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



Jen Bourque, employee of Fashion Bug in Wilmington was brought in by Capt. David Ruth and Deputy Superintendent Dan Moore, both of the Middlesex County Sheriff's Dept. on a warrant to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The benefit was held on Tuesday at "The Bury," formerly "Bacci's," of Tewksbury. The officers of the Sheriff's Dept. donate 1 day a month to "Jail & Bail" for MDA and have helped raise 1.5 million dollars in 2.5 years. (Maureen Lamoureux photo)



Pencil powered and razor sharp

We have a special bulletin board dedicated to the wonderful writing that our students do," notes the Shawsheen newsletter.

"The 'Powerful Pencil' bulletin board is on the wall just outside our library. During the first part of the school year, our third grade classrooms have had an opportunity to exhibit writing samples authored by our creative students. We will begin to start displaying writing samples completed by our second grade classrooms. The first grade classrooms will have an opportunity to exhibit their writing pieces toward the end of the school year. We hope you will take a moment to view this bulletin board the next time you visit the school. We are sure you will agree that we have some very talented writers at the Shawsheen."

And the award for the best SCRIP goes to...

...the Northside PAC, directed by Co-Chairs Janet Engrem and Susan Connors, Treasurer Holly Ippolito, and Assistant Treasurer Jean O'Connell, with a supporting cast of hundreds, potentially thousands.

SCRIPtime is Friday, March 10, the next order form due date. Previews, form downloads, and more information are available 24-7 at the Woburn St. and North Intermediate websites (www.wilmington.k12.ma.us).

And here's the deal.

Thanks to a host of short subjects and lots of live action, the Northside Elementary PAC raised approximately \$2400 from October to December of the current school year.

And the fun (shopping) continues. The New England Scrip™ 2005-2006 Gift Card Fundraiser allows you to help raise school funds for the schools "without it costing you anything extra."

Gift cards - holidays or not - can be used for dinners, movies, birthdays, and shopping. You pay face value, and the PAC gets a percentage (averaging 2% to 7%) of the

gift cards you purchase (the same cards you would get at the store for the same price) from New England Scrip.

Orders are placed with New England Scrip on the dates indicated on the website and cards distributed within two weeks, if all goes well (which it usually does).

Cards are good at more than 100 stores including: CVS, Stop & Shop, Shaw's, Loew's Cineplex, Blockbuster Video, Payless Shoe Source, Claire's, Staples, Build-A-Bear, Bob's Stores, TJ Maxx, Circuit City, Filene's, Macy's, Old Navy, Dunkin' Donuts, Starbucks, and many restaurants (e.g., the Ninety Nine, TGI Fridays, Outback, etc.). AMC, Showcase, Regal Entertainment, Blockbuster entertainment/movie cards, and the Marriott return 12% to the group.

Please contact Holly Ippolito through the school website if you have any questions. Checks - "no cash, please!" - should be payable to Northside Elementary PAC.

~Fare to middlin'~

A cafeteria menu, student payroll, new car loan, Caitlin's real estate ad: the work completed by some seventh graders highlights that done by Wilmington Middle School computer literacy instructor Carol Trulli.

"All students in Grade 7 spend time reviewing the basics of keyboarding," she notes. "Each student works with Mavis Beacon keyboarding software each day to improve typing speed and accuracy."

During the 25-day rotation of Computer Literacy, which meets two periods per day, students are also introduced to more sophisticated features of Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint and conduct Internet research to find information to create multimedia presentations.

~Trail ways in Wilmington, March 7~

Woburn Street School second grade teacher Lynne Gordon, the 2005 Wells Fargo Teacher on the Trail™, will share photographs and stories from the trail on Tuesday, March 7 from

7 to 8 p.m. in the Wilmington Middle School Auditorium. Questions and comments about the Itdarod and Alaska are welcome.

The tale goes a bit like this, as told by Gordon in her journal, now part of her patch on the quilt:

"The Itdarod Quilt arrived in Massachusetts right before Christmas. We read it, admired the artwork, and shared it with a couple of other classes. It was a good introduction to the Itdarod unit, which will begin after the first of the year. It was also a stimulant to all my memories of my visits to Alaska, especially my month long trip during the Race in 2005. The biggest thrill of my academic life was the process leading up to being chosen and serving as Teacher on the Trail (TOT™) for 2005. Almost a year later, I am still remembering (and talking about, just ask anyone who knows me) the details of that trip. Using the Itdarod as a teaching vehicle has enhanced the studies of all of my students, their families, and the people of Wilmington."

"Thank you," notes Gordon, "for the opportunity to create a patch for the Quilt. I chose to show New England, my TOT™ patch, and a couple of messages. Never give up your dreams. Just look what happened to me!"

~Tickets on sale now~

The Wilmington High School Drama Club is proud to announce that tickets for its spring musical, "The Wiz," are on sale in the cafeteria. Ticket prices are \$10 for students and \$12 for adults. Showtimes are Friday, March 31 and Saturday, April 1 at 7 p.m. More information as it arrives.

Bugs, owls, magnets, and space, oh my!

Grade-specific science, a new Shawsheen/West PAC enrichment offering this year, is designed to complement the science curriculum framework with a tailored program for each individual grade and classroom, according to the PAC enrichment newsletter.

Here's the schedule so far, grade by grade: 1) Bugworks; 2) Space, Program; 3) Eyes on

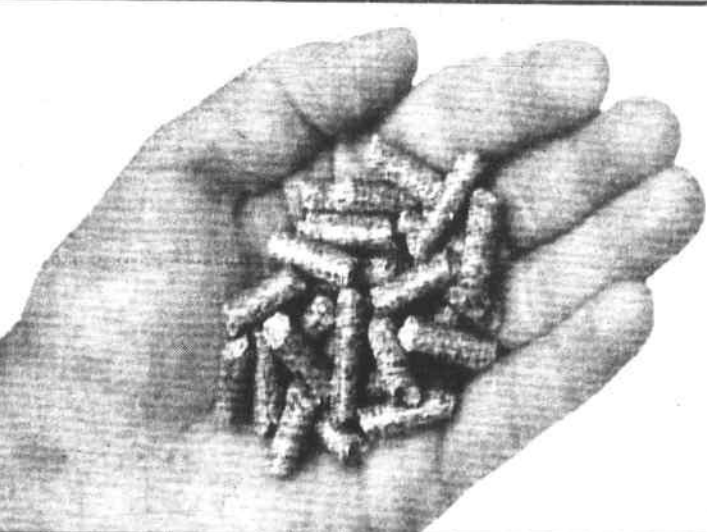
Owls (New England birds); 4) Space Program; and 5) Mr. Magnet (MIT).

"With the help of teacher representatives in each grade, we secured fabulous programs!" report PAC coordinators Kristina O'Connell, Barbara Bosco, and Ann Fitzer.

Committed to the success of enrichment programs, they'll continue to explore the top ones, thank you for your support and "would love to hear comments from your children."

As would we. Everything matters when it comes to schools. If you'd like to read about your favorite school, student, or teacher, please send school newsletters, announcements, and other relevant information to Phyllis Nissen, "School Matters," Wilmington Town Crier, 104 Lowell St., Wilmington, MA 01887 or better yet, to schooltowns@comcast.net. We welcome student writing and kidbits so cute they must be shared.

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Division 3 North Sectional Final

Wildcat wrestlers almost pull off a major upset

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

The Wilmington High wrestling team came just short of pulling out a huge upset on Tuesday night. The No. 1 seeded Winchester Sachems won three of the last four matches to come from behind and defeat the No. 2 seed Wilmington, 36-32, in the Division 3 North sectional final dual meet held at Winchester High on Tuesday night.

Winchester improves to 21-1 on the season and will now face the Division 3 South sectional champion. Wilmington ends its season with an 16-7 overall record, which included last week's dramatic semifinal win over Wakefield at home.

Wilmington was leading for almost the entire meet, through 160 pounds (the meet started at 103). The 'Cats lost a controversial match at 171 as senior Brian Wilson's opponent was given a two point takedown, with Wilson on the edge in the final six seconds of the match. That seemed to take the wind out of the 'Cats sails, as Winchester was able to sandwich three more wins the rest of the way compared to just the one for Wilmington.

Steve Sughrue (103), Nathan Clapp (112), Jon Kelly (125), Mike Sorrentino (130), Evan Walsh (135), Nick Gustin (160) and Nate Mercer (215) all won their matches against Winchester.

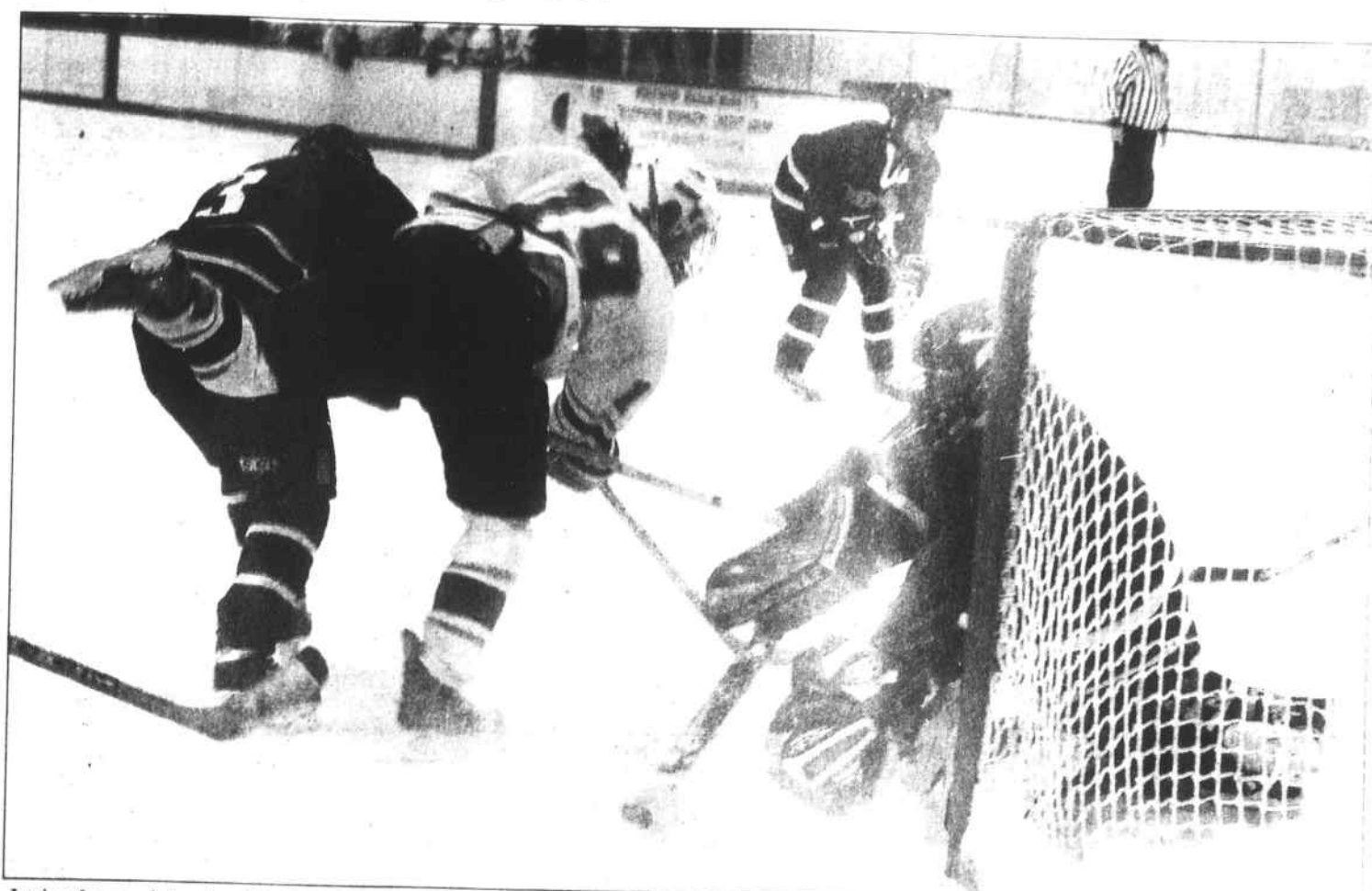
"It was truly a heartbreaking

loss," said coach Mike Pimental. "We gave them everything we had. But we had a fantastic season. We were 16-7 overall, 9-1 in the league, we finished second in the league, second in the North sectional tournament, we were second at both the Haverhill and Mount Anthony tournaments.

"I thought the kids worked really hard and peaked at the right time. We sent five guys to the all-state meet this weekend and there were 94 teams represented. Of those 94 only five teams had five wrestlers including us, Lowell, Chelmsford, Central Catholic and Ludlow.

"I thought we had an exceptional season all around. I'm very proud of the guys. We had great leadership, some of the best we've ever had. We had highs and lows this season and when guys needed a push, our leaders were there to push them. When they needed a pick up, the guys were there to pick them up. When they needed to be carried on their back, the leaders were there when needed."

At the all-state meet, Clapp, Sorrentino and Mercer all competed hard but finished 0-2 on the day. Jon Kelly posted a win over Methuen's Rich Silveria, 8-7, but then was defeated in his next two matches. Walsh defeated Reading's Sean Pinnette, 6-0, before losing his next two matches.



Junior forward Jessica Sciolli gets pushed into the net by a Westwood player while digging for a loose puck during the second period of Monday night's Division 2 North sectional first round state tournament girls hockey game played at the Ristuccia Exposition Center. Westwood defeated the Wildcats, 5-3, despite Sciolli scoring the team's second and third goals.

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Girls Hockey Division 2 North Tournament

Wolverines end Wildcats season

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

After playing a sluggish first period, the Wilmington High girls hockey team put together two fantastic periods, but fell short in its first ever home state tournament game played at the Ristuccia Exposition Center.

The No. 10 seed Westwood Wolverines were able to score two goals in the final 64 seconds of the game which pushed them to a 5-3 victory over No. 7 seed Wilmington in a first round game of the Division 2 North sectional tournament played Monday night.

Wilmington ends the season with an 12-6-2 overall record, while the Wolverines improve to 12-6-3.

"We played a flat first period but the rest was a good game," said head coach Joe McMahon.

"I'm proud because we're a young team and half of the girls on the roster hadn't played in a playoff game prior to tonight. We had an eighth

putting a backhand through the five hole from the bottom left circle, cutting the deficit in half at 2-1.

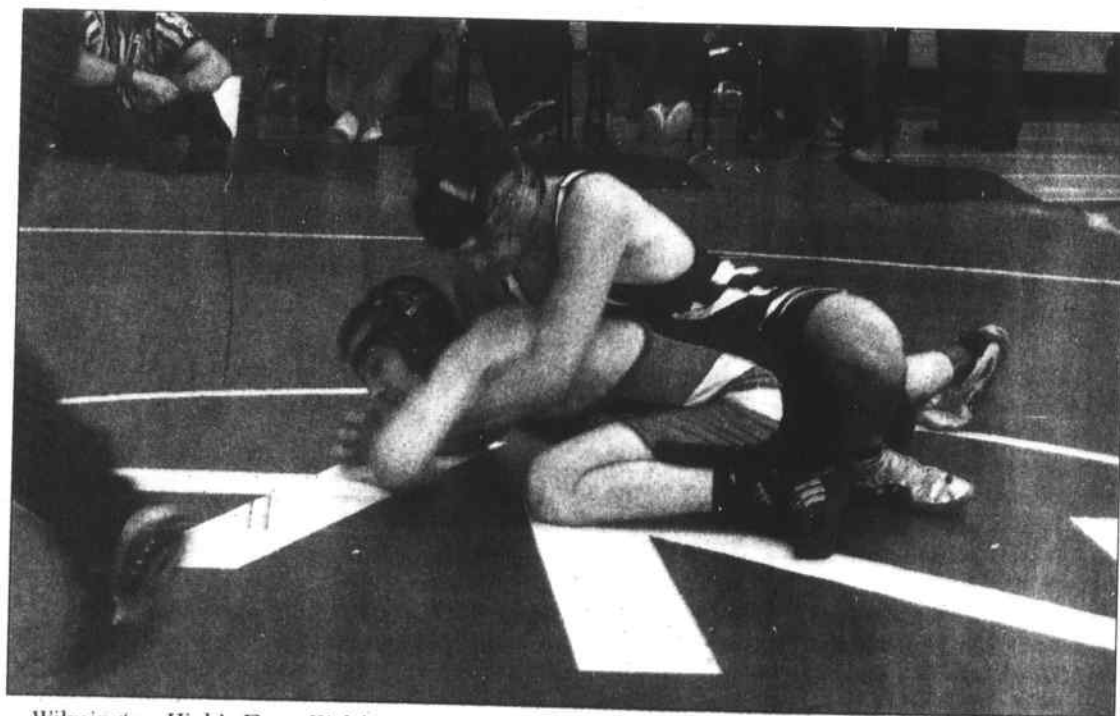
The third period continued to

Westwood scored the game winner with 1:04 to go on a low backhand shot, and then added an empty netter with 26 seconds left putting the game-



Wilmington High junior Maria Tucker scored a goal on this shot, putting a backhand to the back of the net making it a 2-1 game during Monday night's Division 2 North sectional first round tournament game played at Ristuccia Exposition Center. Westwood went on to win the game, 5-3, which eliminated the 'Cats from further competition.

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Wilmington High's Evan Walsh won his first round match against Reading's Sean Pinnette during this weekend's All-State wrestling tournament held at North Andover High School. Walsh lost his next two matches in the 135-pound class.

(courtesy photo)

Mello takes seventh in the entire state

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

ROXBURY - Six individuals and one relay team from Tewksbury and Wilmington competed Friday night at the All-State Track and Field Meet held at the Reggie Lewis Center in Roxbury.

None of the competitors placed in the top six of their respective event, thus none of the teams scored a point. However, there were several solid performances.

Wilmington's lone representative was senior Jackie Mello. She came the closest to place, as she was seventh in the 55-meter dash. The top six in each event advance to this weekend's New England Meet, and Mello

just missed out on doing so. She was 8th in the preliminary heat finishing at 7.51 seconds, and then placed one number higher in the finals but her time was slightly below at 7.57 seconds.

"I'm really happy because I was seeded eighth and I finished seventh," said Mello. "Even though my time wasn't as good, I'm pretty excited to finish seventh. These girls are really good - especially (first place winner Arantxa) King."

King, of Medford, was the winner as she came across at 7.14 seconds. She also broke the meet record in the long jump - and she's just a junior.

Tewksbury had five individuals compete. From the girls, sophomore Nikki Cunha was 11th in the preliminary heat of

the 300 finishing at 42.58. Sophomore Katalin Soni was 12th in the long jump as she was marked at 15 feet, 10 inches. Junior Kaitlin Rose was 15th in the entire state in the mile as she was clocked at 5:30.86. And Sophomore Kristen Judge placed 21st overall in the high jump clearing 4-10.

"I'd say it was an OK day but nothing great," said Tewksbury girls coach Peter Molloy. "All four girls have done better in their respective events, but this field is so competitive."

As for the boys, senior Dave Camoscio was the lone individual to compete as he finished 16th in the two mile coming in at 10:06.15. The 4x200 relay team was 13th at 1:36.08.

grader (Amelia Woodbury) in the net and just lacked experience. I think if a couple of bounces went our way we could have won.

"To have the program's first ever state tournament game played here was really nice. We had a real good crowd and they saw a real good hockey game."

Westwood jumped out to a 1-0 lead after the first period, that saw both teams muster just five shots on net. The Wolverines made it a 2-0 game in the second, although the Wildcats badly outplayed them in the first five minutes putting six shots on net.

Westwood made it 2-0 with a shorthanded goal with 4:45 to go but the Wildcats got on the scoreboard before the second period intermission. Killing off their own penalty, Wildcats junior forward Maria Tucker took a loose puck into the Westwood zone down. Coming in on the left side, she curled and took the defenseman wide,

be wide open. In the first five minutes of play, three penalties were called. During a 4-on-4 situation, Wilmington's Jessica Sciolli intercepted a pass at the Westwood right hand circle and drilled a hard slap shot to the far left hand corner to tie the game up at two.

About three minutes later, Sciolli showed off her speed, as she stormed down the right wing boards, beating the defenseman trying to pinch her off, and she cut in from the circle and beat the goaltender with a low shot to the left corner giving the 'Cats a very short 3-2 lead.

Just 43 seconds later, in a big flurry in front of the net with bodies flying everywhere, Wilmington was being called for a penalty. On the delay, Westwood worked the puck back to the blue line, and with heavy traffic in front, a wrist shot found its way to the back of the net to tie the game back up at 3-3 with 5:33 to go.

away. "I think we're only going to bet better from here," said McMahon. "The future is really bright. The one thing this team never did all season long was give up. They didn't tonight. I think the girls improved so much through the year and honestly that credit goes to this entire staff. We would not have accomplished what we did without all of the coaches we have. The love the game, love the girls and the results prove that."

McMahon said that the team will certainly miss its four seniors.

"Erin (Magee), Brittany (Zolt), Melissa (Bianchi) and Katelyn (Lynch) will certainly be missed," said McMahon. "Katelyn was out with mono and Kristen McNally was out with a knee injury and we missed them tonight. Each year it gets harder and harder to say good bye to the seniors, and tonight is no different."

Final call for Hall of Fame nominations

The Wilmington High School Hall of Fame Committee has announced that the final nomination deadline for this year's inductions will be the end of this week.

Established in 1990, Wilmington's Hall of Fame honors the school's athletes, coaches, benefactors, and special contributors.

The selection process is based

on the rule that the candidates for induction be evaluated on what they did in sports while at Wilmington High exclusively. Achievements in sports while at college or at the professional level will have no bearing on the selection committee's deliberations.

To be eligible for nomination, the athletes must have participated in at least one varsity

sport. Athletes nominated for the Hall of Fame must have graduated at least ten years prior to nomination.

All nominations should be sent to:

Ms Cheryl Tavares - WHS Athletic Hall of Fame, Wilmington High School, 159 Church Street, Wilmington, MA 01887.

Cats will battle the Fish on the ice

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

On Thursday night, the Wilmington High boys hockey team will make its reappearance into the Division 2 North sectional tournament after missing out on it last year, with a 7:30 contest against Gloucester at Salem State College.

The first round match-up will feature the No. 15 seed Wilmington with an 9-8-3 overall record, squaring off against the No. 2 seed Gloucester, sporting an 17-3-0 record coming out of the Northeastern Conference.

Wilmington had qualified for the tournament every year from 1995 to 2004, and missed out last year by a win. In 2004, the 'Cats were defeated by St. Mary's of Lynn, 2-1, in a tremendous back and forth game that was determined in overtime. That year the Spartans were the third seed coming in with an 15-3-2 overall record.

"Gloucester's a good team but I think if we bring our 'A' game we can be competitive with them," said Wildcat coach Steve Scanlon. "In the previous years you would have Saugus who was clearly better than everyone else, but this year I think it's wide open. Triton is the number one seed and we were competitive with them in both games. Gloucester is the number two seed and they lost to Newburyport, who we split with."

"I think it'll all come down to who makes plays and who keeps their composure, especially early on."

Wilmington started the season off very strong sporting an 6-2-1 record right before the midpoint of the season. The



Wilmington High sophomore Eric Siegel, scored three goals helping the 'Cats defeat Dracut on Friday, pushing the boys hockey team into the state tournament. On Thursday night, the 'Cats will face Gloucester at Salem State College beginning at 7:30 pm.

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'Cats then struggled over the next few weeks, but have since found, playing very well over the last four or five games. That stretch included playing solid games against teams like North Andover, Triton and Tewksbury, three teams in this 16-team bracket.

It appears as if this bracket is really up for grabs. There's a handful of very talented teams such as St. Mary's of Lynn, Tewksbury, Triton, Haverhill, Andover, Danvers, Gloucester and Peabody, who can all be very strong if playing the way they are capable of.

"I think a very interesting match-up is St. Mary's and Tewksbury," said Scanlon. "I was impressed with Tewksbury. They can skate. I think this bracket is wide open more than ever. Triton, Peabody, St. Mary's, North Reading, Tewksbury and Haverhill all could be in there. I think it'll be very interesting. I think this

could be a series of upsets."

This year's Wildcat roster lacks a lot of playoff experience which could be a good thing. The 'Cats are led by talented forward Eric Siegel, a sophomore, while goaltender Mike Cabral, also a sophomore, has had a very strong season. Veterans Dan Tobin, the team's captain, and defenseman Billy Schultes, Scott Dunnett, Zack Ciampa and Zach Church will also be counted on for the leadership on and off the ice.

"Some of it is experience," said Scanlon. "But the core of the team are sophomores and this will be their first time in the playoffs. My seniors have been there. I just hope the kids aren't just content with being there. I think it'll be good for them to get in there and see why everyone gets so excited about playoff hockey."

"I think the kids are upbeat and are looking forward to it. I think some are relieved that we

are in because it was such a grind there for a while, but we played really well on Monday and Wednesday of last week."

Scanlon's hoping that can continue on Thursday. Gloucester plays in a very tough league with the likes of Danvers and Saugus.

"I know Gloucester is a physical team," said Scanlon. "And I hope our kids can answer that. We have to play our system, we have to get a good game from (goalie Mike Cabral) and we have to play our system. If we do that we can be competitive with anyone. I know Gloucester is pretty physical with their forecheck. They do get a lot of penalties."

"We scrimmaged them a year ago and I don't think they lost too many players off that team, but they were physical and tough and could skate well. It's a big challenge for us, but it's also a big opportunity for us."

winning 10 games in 1992. Last year the Spartans finished 7-13 and were the last seed of the tournament and were defeated by eventual sectional runner-up Wayland, 46-28, in a first round game.

Keane has seen Stoneham and believes this first round match-up is certainly no cakewalk despite the difference in the team's records.

"I think Stoneham is a lot like

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WHS Boys Basketball Preview

Wildcats seeded third in open bracket

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

On Wednesday night while this paper hits the streets, the Wilmington High boys basketball team will be hosting Saugus in the first round of the Division 3 North sectional tournament.

After falling in its last regular season game last Wednesday night to Winthrop in a non-league game played at home, the five-time Cape Ann League champion Wildcats finished the regular season with a 17-3 record, good for the No. 3 seed in the tourney.

Saugus comes in as the No. 13 seed with an 11-9 record.

"Saugus is a team that has won six games in a row," said head coach Jim McCune. "They live and die with the three-point shot. They have five or six kids who can all shoot the three. The game we saw them play they hit 13 three-pointers in the first half. They were playing against a 2-3 zone, and we won't play them that way. But the fact that a team scored 13 three-pointers in the first half of any game is something that causes concern."

"The idea for us defend much like we did against Tewksbury. We have to get up on the shooters and make them bring the ball to the floor. We have to take away their three-point shooters. They are not overly big. They have one kid who is 6-2 or so but he's athletic and he's an active kid. We do match up size wise."

While the team matches up, the Wildcats have to control the tempo of the game, especially in its own end of the court.

"There's a few things we need to do each and every game to play really well," said McCune. "We have to bring a lot of energy especially out of press and we need to score points off turnovers and the press. We have to defend on the dribbler and make sure he stays out of the lane so they can set their feet before they shoot. But we have to play with some attitude, play with a lot of aggressiveness and really be flying all around to the ball."

"What it has boiled down to all year is that we're out there as the hustle team. We're out there flying to the ball, scoring lay-ups and we're pushing the ball up the floor. That's been the keys to us all season and we need that brand of play in the tournament."

Should Wilmington defeat Saugus in the first round, it would then host either No. 5

seed Watertown (14-6) or the No. 12 seed Arlington Catholic (12-8) in the quarterfinals back at WHS. The date and time has yet to be announced, but most likely Saturday or Sunday.

"Both Watertown and Arlington Catholic are real good teams," said McCune. "Watertown has two very good players who averaged 19 and 18 points a game this season. Size wise we match up against them. Arlington Catholic has two players who are 6-7 and they might not be as skilled (as the Watertown players) but size has bothered us. Teams bigger than us, we seem to struggle against. The way I look at it is if we're fortunate enough to get by Wednesday, I say bring it on to whoever shows up."

Wilmington defeated Newburyport in the first round of last year's tournament, before being eliminated in the quarterfinal round by Arlington Catholic. The year before Wilmington reached the North final and fell to Lynn Tech. The year before that, the 'Cats were eliminated by Watertown, only to lose to Lynn Tech for the first time in the sectional final the year prior.

"Right now we have a couple of kids who are sick and have been out for a couple of days," said McCune. "I think the kids are getting really tired of practice and I can't blame them. We're over the loss against Winthrop and we have to put that behind us. We have to give it our best shot regardless of that loss."

"Like I said to the kids, that loss did hurt us (in the seedings) but we have had a tremendous year. We won the league title, we had the best overall record throughout the entire league and from this point on everything is gravy."

There seems to be a handful of very tough teams whether it be Lynn Tech, Minuteman, Watertown, Arlington Catholic or Bedford, plenty of teams are looking for the big prize.

"This is the most balanced of a bracket that I've seen in a while," said McCune. "There's not that top one or two elite teams. Almost every single team is a quality team, that's well coached. So no matter who we play, we know we're going to be up for a dogfight."

"We'll see come Wednesday. Hopefully the kids will be focused and we'll see how they come out and play. We've given them what we need to give them and now it's a matter of them doing it."

Girls Hoop team draws similiar foe

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

It's been 12 years since the Wilmington High girls basketball team has won a state tournament game. On Thursday, the No. 3 seed Wildcats will take on the No. 14 seed Stoneham in a first round game of the Division 3 North sectional tournament beginning at 7:00 pm at the Cushing Gymnasium.

This will be the Wilmington's first appearance in the state tournament since losing to

Hamilton-Wenham in the first round in 2004. It's also Jay Keane's first exposure to the tournament and the first-year head coach is really looking forward to the challenge.

"I think the big thing for us is that we have a lot of underclassmen and they just can't be nervous," said Keane. "I'd rather be playing right away and I wish we didn't have a week off."

"The place is going to be packed. Stoneham is going to

bring a big crowd, especially since they are so close. I think there will be great crowd, and I know I'm very excited about the game."

Wilmington finished the season with an 16-4 overall record, the best record of any team in over 15 years. The 'Cats bring a lot of steam into the game winning 8 of its last 9 games.

Stoneham comes in with a 10-10 record, playing in the tough Middlesex League. This is the program's best season since

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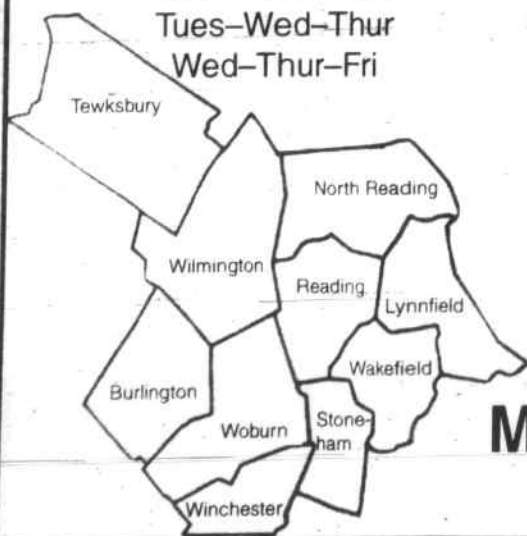
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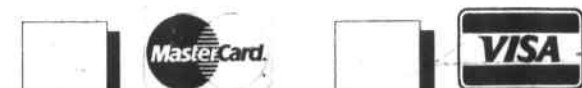
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From the Press Box

Final grades are in for hoop, hockey teams

By JAMIE POTE
Sports Editor

The Winter Olympics are over. The NFL season has been over for a while. Baseball is starting but there's still a few more weeks left of the winter high school sports season.

The state tournament started on Monday with the Wilmington Girls hockey team, and first round games last until Thursday night with the local teams here in Wilmington and Tewksbury. In basketball and hockey, all seven teams qualified for the tournament, making it a very successful and busy sports season.

So here goes for the second half grades for the local basketball and hockey teams.

Basketball

Tewksbury Boys:

At the midway point of the season, the Redmen were 5-5 and really struggling to find their own identity as a team. In the second half they found it. This team, when it's on, is very good especially offensively.

Defensively, the team improved in the second half, and still can step that play up another notch or two in the playoffs, but for the second half of the season, the Redmen finished 7-3 for an overall record of 12-8 which is very solid considering the league they play in, and two of the losses came from Wilmington, a team that just don't seem to play well against.

It seemed like in the second half of the season, the team got much more consistent in every aspect of the game. The players seemed to be more consistent during games, the effort was always there, and offensively, this team can move the ball and can score both outside and inside.

Defensively the team still gives up too many easy baskets, but it's half court defense has improved from the first half of the season. Finishing up the

second half winning seven of ten games though is pretty impressive.

First Half Grade: C+
Second Half Grade: B+
Final Grade: B-

Wilmington Boys:

Last Wednesday's loss to Winthrop was ugly all around. The Wildcats did not play well, especially defensively and struggled everywhere. But with a week off, hopefully this team can recuperate and play its best ball in the state tournament. After all, this team is very talented and when the entire team is on, they are extremely, extremely good, and tough to beat.

The first half of the season, the Wildcats jumped out to a 9-1 start. In the second half of the season, the team went 7-2 including two ugly losses to North Andover and Winthrop, but on the flip side of that, they had several tremendous wins, including back to back over Masconomet and Tewksbury which balances things out.

The second half of the season was solid. The team won its fifth straight Cape Ann League championship which truly is something. The league was very solid this year. Certainly there were some easy victories, but North Andover, Masconomet, Pentucket, Newburyport, Ipswich and even North Reading are all pretty good clubs.

If this team plays the way they are capable of, it could be many more weeks of basketball here in Wilmington.

First Half Grade: A
Second Half Grade: A-
Final Grade: A

Wilmington Girls:

I think what this team did this season is truly remarkable. First the team went from an 9-11 season last year to an 16-4 season this year in what I believe a much more difficult league schedule. The Cape Ann

League was pretty solid from top to bottom. Masconomet is fantastic, but Ipswich, North Andover, Amesbury, Triton and Newburyport are very solid, while Lynnfield and Hamilton-Wenham are just slightly below that with one very good player leading the way.

Wilmington just needs to relax. When they try to do too much they are very easy to beat. When they press, when they don't get into foul trouble and have a mixed up half court attack between going inside to Ashley Vitale and Courtney Browne, or going outside with Brianne Bozzella or Stephanie Sauve, this team can put points on the board.

Jay Keane should really be commended for the outstanding job he's done this season. He's established a terrific attitude, work ethic and professional manner that will keep this program a winner for years and years to come. Yes he inherited a pretty good team, but having talent and winning with it are two totally different things.

In the first half of the season, the 'Cats were 8-2 and went the same 8-2 in the second half. The second half was a little inconsistent than that of the first half but still pretty solid.

First Half Grade: A-
Second Half Grade: B+
Final Grade: A-

Tewksbury Girls:

I felt pretty bad giving the team a C+ in the first half, especially with the lack of experience it had and the schedule the team faced. But you really can't give much more than that to a team with one win can you? I mean c'mon fair is fair.

The girls were 1-7 in the first half of the season and easily, easily could have packed it in and finished with three wins, two coming against Notre Dame Academy. But they never packed it in. The effort was always there. There were some very ugly losses, even against

teams they could have or should have beaten. But in the big picture this team finished 8-12 with its best player hobbling on one knee, while this team certainly will not go down as the fastest on the court.

Offensively the team was limited, but defensively, against teams they could compete against, they were pretty good for the most part. Players like Jill Elwell, Krista and Laura Callan and Kara Dunlevy have improved leaps and bounds from the start of the season until the end. That's all you ask for.

This team really had no business reaching eight wins and qualifying for the state tournament to be blatantly honest. But work ethic, strong leadership, and the ability of having eight or nine girls contribute every night with five or six points is what helped this team finish in second place in the Merrimack Valley Conference small school standings.

First Half Grade: C+
Second Half Grade: A-
Final Grade: B

Hockey

Tewksbury Boys:

The Redmen struggled record wise in the second half, but I don't think that's a reflection upon the team. I think it was just a matter of a very difficult schedule. Tewksbury finished up pretty strong with an overall mark of 10-7-3.

The team's schedule was very brutal. In their division, Haverhill and Andover are very strong and the Redmen went 1-3 against those two clubs. In the top conference, Chelmsford and Billerica were down a bit, but still very tough, as was Central Catholic. Add nonleague games against Medford, Lowell, Wilmington and the three games in Maine, and that's a pretty difficult schedule.

Tewksbury is limited offensively, and that was a given heading into this season. The

team has gotten terrific production out of guys like John Cahalane, Paul Testo and Mark Martell, but just need to find the back of the net a little more as a team.

Defensively, this team is very strong. They don't give up a lot of shots, they don't give up a lot of goals, and their defensemen stick their nose in the corners, step up at the blue line and also can be creative with the puck.

Division 2 North is also brutal when it comes to the state tournament. Getting a win or two is really something to be proud of because top to bottom, it's as tough as they come. If Tewksbury can play the way they are capable of defensively, and get a lucky bounce here or there, they could surprise some teams. If not, it was still a very solid season.

First Half Grade: B+
Second Half Grade: B-
Final Grade: B

Wilmington Boys:

It was a tale of about 100 seasons for this Wildcat team. Wilmington started off very strong posting a 6-2-1 record. That included several solid victories, and some wins over teams they were much better than. It also included two devastating losses, but to teams that were better than Wilmington.

The second half started off terrible but has ended on a much better note. Wilmington seemed to play its worst hockey at the worst possible time, against teams they should have beaten, and then started to play its best brand of play against teams that are better than them. It resulted in a tough 3-6-2 second half mark.

Finishing 9-8-3 and making it to the state tournament is still a good accomplishment for this team, no matter how the season started out. The Cape Ann League might not have those two or three tremendous teams, but Triton and North Reading (when it had its regular season

goalie) were top of the charts and are as strong as ever. Newburyport and North Andover are solid, but Masconomet, Pentucket and Amesbury are down, when they are usually pretty solid.

In addition, the Wildcats had tough nonleague games with Haverhill and Tewksbury, while they did take care of 90 minutes with Somerville and Brockton.

The effort might have appeared for a two week period, but the boys came back strong, when it counted. This team, full of sophomores, are playing key roles, so in that aspect, finishing with nine wins is pretty solid.

First Half Grade: B+
Second Half Grade: C
Final Grade: B-

Wilmington Girls:

I agree with head coach Joe McMahon in the fact that against the better teams, Wilmington struggled and inconsistency. The team took care of business against teams they were better than, but seemed to take a lapse, whether it be skating, passing or playing defense in the bigger games on the schedule.

Most of this team's regular season which means the team should be right back in the thick of things for a league title, and more accomplishments.

This year's team is OK, but certainly could and can play a lot better. They need to become consistent, need to skate right, and especially play and hold their positions better.

On the flip side of it, the team is extremely solid and has lost a lot of talent in the 16-year's club. The team and coach seems to be pretty happy with it was expected. The team finished the first half of the season with a 5-4-1 record, then went 5-4-1 in the second half.

First Half Grade: B
Second Half Grade: C
Final Grade: B-



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Town Crier's sports staff predicts state tournament winners in hoop and ice hockey

This week the state tournament begins. Here's how both Jamie Pote, the sports editor, and Mike Ippolito, a sports correspondent, sees how each of the brackets will go.

Jamie Pote's Predictions

Boys Hockey
Division 2 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Haverhill vs Danvers
 Sectional Winner: Haverhill
 Comment: Goaltending and defense the difference for Hillies.

Division 3 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Lowell vs Savio Prep
 Sectional Winner: Lowell
 Comment: Lowell is too good for this bracket.

Girls Hockey
Division 2 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Billerica vs Andover
 Sectional Winner: Andover
 Comment: Good old MVC match-up should be a dandy.

Boys Basketball
Division 2 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: North Andover vs Gloucester
 Sectional Winner: North Andover
 Comment: Scarlet Knights play tremendous defense.

Division 3 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Wilmington vs Minuteman Tech
 Sectional Winner: Wilmington

Comment: There's too much talent, and the press defense is too good, not for the 'Cats to finally bring home a sectional title.

Girls Basketball
Division 2 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Lincoln-Sudbury vs Melrose
 Sectional Winner: Melrose
 Comment: This is the year for Melrose to win it all.

Division 3 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Swampscott vs St. Mary's of Lynn
 Sectional Winner: Swampscott
 Comment: The Big Blue is too strong with its inside game.

Division 4 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Matignon vs Whittier Tech
 Sectional Winner: Whittier Tech
 Comment: Whittier always seems to get the job done come post season.

Mike Ippolito's Predictions

Girls Basketball
Division 2 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Lincoln-Sudbury vs Melrose
 Sectional Champion: Melrose
 Comment: Lincoln Sudbury upsets undefeated Masco, but undefeated Melrose gets the title.

Division 3 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Wilmington vs. Swampscott
 Sectional Champion: Swampscott
 Comment: The defending Sectional champs end the 'Cats great run

Division 4 North

Sectional Final Match-Up: Whittier Tech vs. Matignon
 Sectional Champion: Whittier Tech
 Comment: Too many athletes for the rest of this bracket to handle

Boys Basketball
Division 2 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Pentucket vs. Masconomet
 Sectional Champion: Masco
 Comment: Tewksbury upsets top seed Belmont, making Masco's title a little easier.

Division 3 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Wilmington vs. Lynn Tech
 Sectional Champion: Lynn Tech
 Comment: Defending champ Lynn Tech still the team to beat.

Girls Hockey
Division 2:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Reading vs. Wellesley
 Sectional Champion: Reading
 Comment: Sophomore Dominique Lozzi leads the Lady Rockets.

Boys Hockey
Division 2 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Gloucester vs. St. Mary's of Lynn
 Sectional Champion: St. Mary's
 Comment: St. Mary's leaves Division 2 in grand style.
Division 3 North:
 Sectional Final Match-Up: Shawsheen vs. Lowell
 Sectional Champion: Shawsheen
 Comment: Call me a homer if you want, but the Rams retire coach Gordon as a champion.

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Rams hockey team gets first round bye

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

The Shawsheen Tech hockey put together a remarkable regular season and when the pairings for the Division 3 North Tournament were announced on Saturday night they were rewarded for it with a number two seed and a bye in the first round.

With a 16-2-2 overall record the Rams are seeded just behind Lowell who finished at 18-2. The Rams will kick off tournament play on Monday, March 6 at a site to be determined against the winner of the first round game between seventh seeded Salem (14-5-1) and 10th seeded Tyngsboro (10-8-2), which will be played this

Friday.

While the Rams are very familiar with Commonwealth Athletic Conference rival Tyngsboro, having faced and defeated them twice this season, they are not as familiar with Salem, who plays in the Northeast Conference. Coach Bill Gordon however, knows enough about the Wolves to know that his team will be facing a quality opponent if that is who they line up against in the quarterfinals.

"We have scouted them a couple of times. They are a very well coached team and they play in a very good conference against some tough teams like Danvers and Lynn Classical," Gordon said. "Last season they

had two divisions in the conference and they got the number one seed. Their schedule this year was much tougher."

Arguments could be made both ways as to which opponent would be more favorable for Shawsheen. They are obviously very familiar with Tyngsboro and have beaten them twice, but both games have been close, including a 4-3 decision in the season finale, and it is always difficult to beat a team three times in one season. Salem on the other hand appears to be the stronger team and would be a stiff test right out of the game for the Rams.

Not that Gordon would likely admit it even if he did have a preference, but he genuinely

seems to not be concerned as to whom the Rams will face.

"The way my team is constructed it really does not matter who we play," Gordon said. "I have always felt that I can only concentrate on what I have control over. I cannot control the other team, but I can control mine. If we bring our 'A' game we are tough to beat."

More of a concern to Gordon and the Rams may be the layoff they will be facing before their first tournament game. Obviously getting the bye is a good thing, but due to the Division 1A Super Eight Tournament, which got under way earlier this week, all tournament games in other Divisions are delayed in their starts, which is why Tyngsboro and Salem do not even play each other until Friday.

Always a critic of the Super

Eight format, Gordon, in his 28th year as head coach of the Rams, pulled no punches when discussing how a Division 1A Tournament can affect a Division 3 Tournament.

"There are more Division 3 hockey teams than any other Division, so it is surprising with that number of teams that a Division 1A Tournament drives the process," Gordon said. "You would think the MIAA would want to take care of its largest constituency, but they do not. It's a case of the tail wagging the dog."

Gordon does not think the layoff will provide much of a disadvantage to his team, as all teams are in pretty much the same boat, but at the same time he is taking steps to make sure his team is as game ready as possible.

"We have a couple of scrim-

mages lined up," Gordon said. "In a lot of ways it is almost like starting the season over again. It will be like pre-season the first couple of days and then we will step it up as we go along."

The Rams have gotten outstanding goaltending all season from a pair of excellent goalies, as junior Joe Cardinale, and sophomore Josh Sanchez have shared duties, while also sharing time with some others between the pipes. There is little doubt that either Cardinale or Sanchez will get the start in the playoff game, but Gordon is not tipping his hand as to who it will be.

"It's a well kept secret," Gordon joked. "I know, but I am not telling. But it was a tough choice because they have all played so well this season."

Wilmington-Tewksbury Boys Hockey

Teams end in a deadlock

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

LOWELL - When Tewksbury High and Wilmington High get together in any sport you can almost be sure the game will be hotly contested and may very well come down to the closing minutes before a winner is decided.

Last Wednesday night when the hockey teams from these two schools met, that held true more than ever, as the teams battled each other tooth and nail from the opening whistle and were so evenly matched throughout the game that a winner could not be determined as the teams skated to a 2-2 tie at the Janas Rink.

Both teams went into the game needing a win, with the state tournament bound Redmen needing to get back on the winning track after dropping three straight games, while the Wildcats literally needed a win in order to qualify for the tournament.

Neither got exactly what they wanted, of course, but the Redmen did close out their season on Friday night with a 9-1 win over Boston Latin, while the Wildcats ultimately qualified for the tournament with a 5-3 win over Dracut on Friday night.

But none of that mattered to either team last Wednesday, as the only thing on their minds was the arch rival opponent in front of them, and it showed in a hard hitting, at times chippy contest that saw each team take a one goal lead before they skated to a scoreless tie in a thrilling third period.

In the end, the coaches of the respective teams had slightly different outlooks on their teams, performances.

"Our last three games we have played well against quality opposition," Wilmington coach Steve Scanlon said. "The effort and the pace of the game tonight was very good for us."

On the other hand, Tewksbury coach Derek Doherty was not as pleased with his team's effort.

"I did not think that we played a complete 45 minute game," Doherty said. "We were a little sluggish."

The tie left Wilmington with an 8-8-3 (finished the regular season at 9-8-3) record at the time, while Tewksbury was 9-7-3 (finished the regular season at 10-7-3).

Senior Dan Tobin and sophomore Ernie Mello each scored for Wilmington, while junior John Cahalane and senior defenseman Mike Frazier each scored for Tewksbury. For the Redmen, Bill Stuart made 24 saves while Mike Cabral had 36 stops for the Wildcats.

Cahalane got the Redmen on the board first just 3:16 into the game on assists from Scott Capraro and Paul Tosto, as he capitalized on a scramble out in front of the Wilmington net and popped in a rebound for the early Tewksbury lead.

But just over three minutes later Wilmington responded in exciting fashion with senior defenseman Scott Dunnett making a nice rush to the net only to be stopped by Stuart on a nice pad save, but Tobin was right there to pounce as the puck lie in the crease, slipping it past Stuart to tie the game at 1-1 at 6:28 of the period.

Tewksbury had a couple of chances to take the lead late in

the period, but Cabral was up to the task, first on a shot by Frazier from the point and moments later on a 2-on-1 shorthanded opportunity when he stoned Tewksbury junior Robert Cuzzi.

"Cabral has played well all year long for us," Scanlon said. "He's a young kid stepping up for us."

Stuart was not to be outdone by his Wilmington counterpart, as early in the second period he came up with a pair of brilliant saves to keep the game tied, first making a great save off a faceoff just over a minute into the period and minutes later shutting down Tobin who had blocked a shot and raced in alone on him.

The Wildcats did manage to beat Stuart at the 6:20 mark of the period when Mello scored on a rebound with Eric Siegel getting an assist, but just as it looked like they would take that 2-1 lead into the second intermission the Redmen got a power play goal from Frazier on a wicked slap shot from the point that beat Cabral glove side and landed just inside the post at 13:58 to tie the game.

"That was a beautiful shot," Doherty said. "Nice and hard and perfectly placed."

Both teams had their chances in the third period, but Cabral and Stuart turned away every opportunity, with Cabral in particular doing a great job of denying Tewksbury any

rebound opportunities.

The period featured some of the hardest hits of the game, with almost all of them being good clean checks, but as might be expected in a matchup of intense rivals with so much on the line, play did turn chippy from time to time.

The chippy play led to a power play for Tewksbury at the 12:40 mark after an interference call against the Wildcats, but they could not capitalize and the teams settled for the tie.

On Friday, Wilmington defeated Dracut, 5-3, which landed the 'Cats into the post season and ended those same thoughts of the Middies. The game was very slow as Wilmington was called for seven penalties and could never get into the flow of the game. Dracut was not called for a single penalty.

Erie Siegel led the way offensively with a hit trick, and George Boudreau added two assists. Mike Cabral made 21 stops in the net.

While Wilmington knocked out Dracut, Tewksbury delivered an early blow to Boston Latin, crushing the defending Division 2 state champions, 9-1, on Friday afternoon. Nine different players found the back of the net for the Redmen including Kyle Staples, Ken Maglio, Dan Grasso, Scott Capraro, Mike Frazier, Ryan Mooney, Rob McVey, Tom MacLeod and Christian Irving.

Buckley piling up the points

By MIKE IPPOLITO
Sports Correspondent

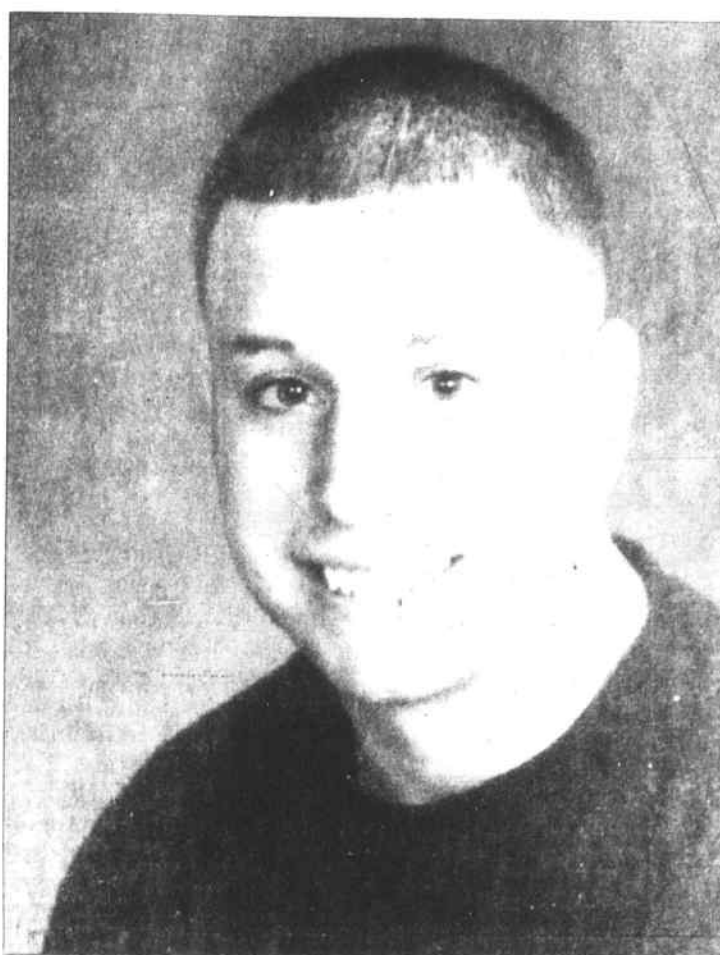
When the Shawsheen Tech hockey team begins what they hope will be a very successful trip through the Division 4 North Tournament next Monday night they will be counting on several of their star players to carry them to victory.

One of those star players, and perhaps the one that will be leaned upon most will be senior right wing Jason Buckley of Wilmington, an assistant captain for the Rams. There is good reason why the Rams will be looking toward

Buckley to help lead them to victory, as he has already done so several times this season, with a team leading 41 points on 27 goals and 14 assists.

"We haven't had a point producer like him in a number of years. He has just been a warrior for us," Shawsheen coach Bill Gordon said. "And he has also gotten the big goals for us all year."

Buckley led the team in scoring despite missing two games due to a major hand injury. At about the midway point in the season, while working on a four wheeler in his garage, Buckley cut his right hand open so severely that he required stitches and was forced to miss two games, one of which was a key 5-2 loss to Northeast/Malden.



Jason Buckley.

But after missing those games, he was back in the lineup without even practicing and was contributing right away during a key victory over CAC rival Tyngsboro. Noting was going to keep Buckley out of the contest against the Tigers.

"The stitches came open during the game against Tyngsboro, but I just wrapped it up and kept playing," Buckley said.

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Freshmen Boys Hoop team finishes season with 15 wins

By LOUIE CIMAGLIA
Sports Correspondent

The Wildcat freshmen boys basketball team had a fantastic season, setting a blistering pace straight out of the gate and sustaining it throughout the season. They finished up with a 15-2 record.

A stifling defense and a juggernaut of an offense made them a very tall task to beat.

"We played real well this season," said coach Larry Keating. "The kids played hard all the time."

Keating said that the team could have won every game, but simply the only team that could beat them was themselves.

"The losses we had were just a lack of focus, more mental than physical," he said.

The team was a great blend of stifling defense and a juggernaut of an offense. Though the team lacked a major post presence, rebounding was not a problem. Scott Bonica, Matt Hachey and Mike Manganello were leaders in the rebounding department. The 'Cats lacked height but made up for it in toughness which allowed them to beat up teams in the paint.

Another thing this team did very well was move the ball. Steve Stewart, John Spurr, Dan Dellisola and Ryan Searles all helped to regain possession of the ball and get it down the court. The depth of this team was very strong.

Cory Mason and Mike Scola were very tough and fought for every loose ball. Dylan Reed

and Scott Bonish come play defense and hit a shot when needed. Ricky Belding and Jason Perreira also were tough defenders and were good rebounders.

Keating also talked about the future of the Wilmington basketball.

"If the kids hit the weight room in the offseason, they can all have a great future," he said. "I think we will be good, very competitive for at least the next three years. We have plenty of guards, and a few big men. On a whole we are very good."

JV Boys Basketball

It was a good season for the Wildcats, but unfortunately the season ended on a five game skid. They finished up with a 12-6 record.

The team had a plethora of talented players. The skills were present and the team was undefeated for a large portion of the season. Every facet of a successful team was present. Zack Fahey started out on the JV level and was unstoppable. He moved up to the varsity level in the middle of the season and became a very good varsity player coming off the bench.

Matt Brooks came down from varsity and split time between the two teams to fill the void. However, there were many other players that made the team good. Evan Borsetti was a leader and an excellent guard.

He is an excellent passer and sees the floor very well.

Craig Melillo was the lone freshman on the team, but he has superior ball-handling abilities and possesses a smooth jumper. Carlton Lentini also came on strong as a great scorer and also was a great defensive player.

Kevin Carter, Matt Derian and Tom Barry were all-out players and played tight defense. Kyle Moya and Nick Farnsworth were very good interior players and could rebound exceptionally well. Anthony Libertore, Pat Cassidy and Charlie Waitt were very good coming in the game to play defense and hit some shots.

These players are very good and figure to be together for the next two years. With the upcoming freshmen there will be a great blend of juniors and sophomores next year. There will be a struggle for spots at the varsity level. Not a bad problem to have.

Freshmen Girls Basketball

It was a tough season for the Lady Cats. But true spirit came through in the later stages of the season. The team never quit and always played to the last whistle. No matter what the score was, there was never a lack of hustle.

The scoring came from Ali Lyman, whose tenacity rubbed off on the rest of the team.

Colleen Kennedy was also a great shooter. Michelle White was force in the paint, and her rebounding and scoring was tough to stop.

It was inspiring to watch the hustle and determination regardless of the context of the game. Julie Gorman, Devon Murphy, Jamie Gingras, and Kaitlyn Riley were specialists in hunting down every last opportunity for a turnover. Lauren Genovese was also a great interior presence. Maureen Washington, Kaila Burns, Stephanie Woods, Kristen Browne, Lauren Nasiff and Lisa Rooker are all freshmen but all contributed in a huge way with their hustle and ability to play smart, yet aggressive, basketball.

Also playing huge roles on the team were Lauren Frissore and Jen Petinge, two sophomores, who rounded out the team and could play defense and score.

JV Girls Basketball

The Lady Cats finished up the year with a very good 13-4 record. The team was very good at executing game strategies and finishing off opponents.

The team was led by the sophomore trident of Jess Stira, Natalie Melkonian and Brittany Winchell. Their collective leadership rubbed off on the generally young team.

This was a team that improved as the season progressed. They gelled as a team and the game action was much more fluid. This was perhaps the best second half team ever assembled. At the end of first halves the score would be tied or close to it, and the game would end 62-40. The determi-

nation of the team really showed.

A bright sign for the basketball program was the fact that much of this team was comprised of freshmen. Kerry Hanafin, Nicole Bockus, Jamie Burns, Stephanie Woods, Kristen Browne, Lauren Nasiff and Lisa Rooker are all freshmen but all contributed in a huge way with their hustle and ability to play smart, yet aggressive, basketball.

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JV Ice Hockey

The Wildcats polished off their season with a 4-2 win over Masconomet, who were the only team to get the best of the Cats this season. This gave them a sterling 12-1-5 record to end the year.

One word can summarize the past year: team. Coach Chip Bruce explained that teamwork is the key to success.

"The team has really come along as far as being a team," said Bruce. "We finished with a record of 12-1-5 and everyone contributed."

There is plenty of talent on the team, and many of the players will push for varsity next season. Defensemen John Kincaid and Brian Svensson were mainstays all year. Corey

Tobin, Nick Robarge and Sean Fay added so much toughness and versatility to the team.

Wilmington is very small as a whole, but size does not translate to wins, and that really showed this year. Frank Sorrentino, Jared Hayes, Chris Thibeault, Sean Tavares, Dean Moran, Johnathan See and Dan Silva all have very good years and hope to contend for varsity next season.

"As a whole I am happy with the work ethic and the coaching ability of the players," said Bruce. "Hopefully they will continue to improve as athletes as well as hockey players. Every player needs to get into a weight training program and a skill development camp during the off-season. The guys seem to love the game but they have to be committed to being high school athletes."

Bruce warned that if the players aren't serious that it could have major ramifications down the road.

"A good JV team doesn't always turn into a good varsity team," he said. "Sometimes the players plateau early and don't advance like they should. We stress every year the importance of off-season weight training and hopefully these players will take our advice. I expect a strong group of incoming freshman so I expect a battle for positions next year. I am confident that this group will come in prepared next year."

Olympics had some high notes worth watching for

By LOUIE CIMAGLIA
Sports Correspondent

"Who cares?"
"What's the big deal?"
"American Idol is on."

These are the attitudes and complaints forged upon the 20th Winter Olympic Games that have been occurring over the last two weeks. A lack of understanding leads to a lack of interest, which leads to ratings that fell more than an Italian ice dancing pair.

Unfortunately, amidst all the criticism, a fantastic Olympiad has just finished up and a lot of people were busy watching Jerry Rice humiliate himself

on "Dancing with the Stars."

The big story going into the Games was Sasha Cohen's quest for gold in arguably the most significant event of any Winter Olympics, the Ladies' ice-skating competition. Another story was Bode Miller's drive for multiple medals. Well, Bode spent most of his time partying it up and forgot about the skiing thing he was in Torino for. Speedskater Apolo Anton Ohno, a star of the Salt Lake games, went up against his Korean rivals and finally won his gold.

Other American speedskaters Chad Hedrick and Shani Davis,

both extremely talented, spent much of their time quarreling with each other over Davis' decision to sit out the team pursuit. Hedrick felt betrayed, Davis was preparing for his race the next day, which Hedrick was also a part of.

Snowboarder Lindsey Jacobellis had the gold medal wrapped up in snowboardcross when she tried to do a trick over the last jump and she fell, which gave her a silver medal and a face full of snow and humble pie.

While all these big name Olympians made headlines, so many other stories and

Olympic dreams were present.

Interestingly enough, perhaps the most popular event in the games was curling. The U.S. mens' team won its first medal in history. Although the women's team did not medal, they too had a great showing.

Elsewhere on the rink behind Cohen, there was the Michelle Kwan saga. She probably shouldn't have made it on the team in the first place, but when she stopped the world to say she had to drop out of competition, she opened the door for the Olympic dream. Emily Hughes, little sister of Salt Lake Champ, Sarah, had a fan-

tastic showing as she came out seventh overall.

On the snowboarding scene, the Flying Tomato put himself in a golden salad. Shaun White dominated the competition to win his gold.

Tony Benshoof was very close to a medal for the huge team. The team of Shauna Rohrbuck and Valerie Fleming won a silver medal for the U.S. bobsled team. Julia Mancuso surprised many as she came home with a gold.

It was a refreshing change of pace to watch some different sports aside from the nauseating NBA and the slumping

NHL. Seeing some passion in sport while knowing millions of dollars weren't involved was very nice. The Americans came away with 25 medals, the most they have ever had in a Winter Games off American soil.

There is nothing wrong with the Olympic Games. If American Idol is on then change the channel. The show is on for another three months or so. That's what TiVo is for. The talent's not even that good this year. The curling was better.

Ten Star Hoop Summer Camp sign-ups

Applications are now being evaluated for The Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp. The Camp is by Invitation Only. Boys and Girls ages 10 - 19 are eligible to apply. Past participants include: Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill and Antawn Jamison. Players

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Michael Sorrentino, Chair
Wilmington Planning Board
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LEGAL NOTICE

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Court Department
MIDDLESEX Division
Docket No. 05P5198GM1

In the Matter Of
SHAWN J. WHITTINGTON
OF WILMINGTON

In the County of MIDDLESEX
NOTICE OF PETITION
FOR APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN OF MINOR

To all persons interested in the above captioned matter, a petition has been presented praying that KERRY HUTCHINSON of MALDEN in the County of MIDDLESEX and PATRICIA HUTCHINSON of MALDEN in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed guardian of the person of SHAWN J. WHITTINGTON of WILMINGTON in the County of MIDDLESEX, a minor child, to serve without surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT CAMBRIDGE ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON March 15, 2006.

WITNESS, HON. ROBERT W. LANGLOIS ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at CAMBRIDGE this day, December 5, 2005.

3.1.06 John R. Buonomo
5032 Register of Probate

LEGAL NOTICE

THE COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE
TRIAL COURT
Case No 317794

To:

Janice Conway
Barbara Hauser a/k/a
Barbara R. Hauser

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. Emigrant Mortgage Company, Inc. claiming to be the holder of mortgage covering real property in Tewksbury 17 Sullivan Parkway given by Barbara R. Hauser and Barbara Hart to Emigrant Mortgage Company, Inc. dated November 7, 2003 and recorded at Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds at Book 16664, Page 130 has filed with said court a complaint for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry and possession and exercise of power of sale.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act and you object to such foreclosure you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Boston on or before the 3rd day of April, 2006, or you may forever be barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, KARYN F. SCHEIER, Chief Justice of said Court this 16th day of February, 2006.

3.1.06 Deborah J. Patterson
5026 Recorder

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON



BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road on March 20, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. on the following applications:

Case 9-06
Alexandra Morgan/Richard Macchi
Map 29 Parcel 20

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 for an alteration to a nonconforming structure (a one-story addition in front and a two-story addition in back for property located on 66 Chestnut Street.

Case 10-06 Ira T. Pote Jr.
Map 60 Parcel 13

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 for an alteration to a nonconforming structure (a second-story addition to the existing dwelling and a two-story addition to the side for property located on 189 Wildwood Street.

Case 11-06 Raymond Lepore
Map 50 Parcel 9

To acquire a Special Permit in accordance with §6.1.6.4 for an alteration to a nonconforming structure (demolish the existing dwelling and rebuild a dwelling no closer than 13.5 feet from the side yard lot line and to demolish and rebuild the existing garage for property located on 66 Adams Street.

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Mite C's reach tourney final

The Wilmington Mite C's did not rest at all during February vacation. Instead they participated in the Lock Monster Mite Tournament, and with hard work and determination they made it to the finals.

But on Friday, they could just not defeat North Andover in the final game, and placed second. For the series, Patrick Farrell was the amazing goalie, the fast skating offense was Quinton Foley, Nicholas Deming, Jack Kilday, Bridget Santos, Nicole Khachadourian, Dougie Millar, Joseph Chasse, Andrew Brown and Jacob Perkins, the tough defense was Kyle Collins, Matthew Sutton, Quentin Distefano, Steven Giroux, Cam Pickett and Donovan Ryan.

There were many highlights of the series, so here is an overview of the week:

Wilmington 1 Gr. Lowell 2

The game started out with great goals and two great saves by Patrick Farrell. Bridget Santos scored the first period getting

Wilmington on the board. Greater Lowell fought back and tied the game in the second period. Wilmington though with great determination got ahead with second period goal by Jack Kilday assisted by Quentin Distefano. In the third period Andrew Brown assisted by Jacob Perkins and then again Jack Kilday scored assisted by Nicholas Deming.

Wilmington 6 Tewks. Chiefs 2

It was more than a hat trick for Jack Kilday in this game—he scored five goals!!! And the goalie, Patrick Farrell complained he got cold (every coaches dream). The Offense attacked the Tewksbury Chiefs with much determination and the Defense worked hard to keep the puck away from their goalie.

In the first period Jack Kilday scored assisted by Dougie Millar. The second period, the two goals were scored by Jack Kilday and one by Nicole Khachadourian. Jack scored his fifth goal in the third period.

Wilmington 2, N. Andover 2

The Wilmington Mite C's had to either tie or win this game in order to make it into the playoffs on Friday, February 24. The Wilmington Mite C's were pumped and focused to get into the finals. With the mighty Pat Farrell in the net and both the Offense and Defense playing like pros, tie the game they did.

There was much stress in the first period with North Andover taking the lead 2 to 0.

But Jack Kilday, once again, skillfully scored a goal for Wilmington assisted by Nicholas Deming.

The tension was increasing, but with hard hustling Dougie Millar back tipped a goal assisted by Joseph Chasse in the second period. The third period, neither team scored. Ending score 2 to 2. Wilmington would face North Andover in the finals on Friday, February 24.

N. Andover 3, Wilmington 1

The game started out with both teams skating evenly and keeping



The Wilmington Mite C's: Front Row: (Left to Right) Jacob Perkins, Dougie Millar, Patrick Farrell, Matthew Sutton, Donovan Ryan, Nicole Khachadourian, Kyle Collins, Steven Giroux, Nick Deming, Joseph Chasse. Back Row: (Left to Right) Quintin Distefano, Jack Kilday, Cam Pickett, Quinton Foley, Bridget Santos, Andrew Brown (courtesy photo)

the puck away from the goalies. In the first period, Dougie Millar scored assisted by Matthew Sutton giving Wilmington the

lead. Unfortunately, Wilmington could not keep the lead and North Andover scored two goals in the second period and one goal in the

third. Mite C's winning streak did end in second place and they all wore their gold medals proudly after the game.

Wilmington Recreation Basketball League has plenty of exciting highlights

FROM PAGE SP7W

Ohio State 13, Illinois 11

Ohio State managed to hold off Illinois for a two-point victory. Both halves were as tight as they could possibly be. Ryan Walsh had six points followed by Robert Piffert with four. Finishing off the scoring for Ohio State were Ryan Adams with two and Justin MacKinnon with one.

Joe Seurto with six points and Joe Hydrorn with three led Illinois. Ryan Flood threw in a basket of his own to complete the Illinois attack. David Santini, Zachary Toto, and Liam Bennett showed great hustle and determination throughout the game.

Wisconsin 26, Penn State 3

Wisconsin's James O'Regan, with ten points, had the hot hand proving he was too much for Penn State to handle. Tom Simmons added to Wisconsin's total with six points. Ben Rohlfedor and Devin Fields each contributed another four while Dan Bell completed the scoring with two points. Ryan Horgan and Peter Daley were the lone scorers for Penn State with three and two points respectively.

George Hooper, Jacob Vieira and Ryan Kinsella worked very hard on both the offensive and defensive ends of the floor making many key plays.

Mountain West - Boys Grade 4

Air Force 17, Colorado St. 15

In a game that went back and forth and with time running out Chris Saporito hit a clutch shot that won the game for Air Force. Leading the scoring for Air Force was Scott Manganelli with ten points. Dan Lee four, Chris Saporito two, and Sean Coakley added one point. Craig Smith and Jimmy Carroll led Air Force on defense.

Leading scorers for Colorado State were Corey Stillings with six points, Alex Neville four, Troy Vibert two, Andrew Bejian two, and Gerry O'Reilly added one point. Leading Colorado St. on defense was William McNamara and Chris Ippolito.

New Mexico 23, Utah 21

In a game that could have gone either way New Mexico came away with a hard fought win. Leading the scoring for New Mexico was Joe Ascolese with 12 points, Kyle Sousa eight, Eli Jennings two with Dylan Walsh adding one point. Mitchell Goulet and Nick Troy led New Mexico in rebounding.

Utah was led in scoring by Jacob Pumphert with ten points, Mitchell Fisher six, Ryan McEvoy three, and Ryan Carrocino added two points. Brian Anderson and Jimmy Murphy led Utah on defense.

Wyoming 16, BYU 8

Wyoming's great coaching and team defense was too much as they defeated a very good BYU team. Leading the scoring for Wyoming was Eric Grabar with seven points, Colin Chase two, Michael Palazzo two, Luke Foley two, Pat Walshone, and Bill Simmons added one point.

BYU was led in scoring by Andrew Sutton with four points, Matt Daley two, and Jonathan Mack added two points. Jacob Russell led BYU in rebounding.

Big East - Boys Grade 5

Rutgers 29, Providence 24

Tom Letellier led Rutgers with a game high 17 points. Dan Hope dropped in seven and Shamus Gibbons and Matt Curran each threw in a basket. Christian Houde completed the scoring with a point of his own. Matt Pickett's ten points and Ryan Kennedy's nine points led the way for Providence. John Keough and Kevin Dunfee each had two points while Paul Oliver had one to round out Providence's day.

Georgetown 26, St. John's 22

In a closely played contest, Georgetown edged out St. John's

26 to 22. Wayne Huynh and Keenan Beraldi each scored nine points on the day. Sam Silva, Sean Berube, Michael Browne, and Mark Connolly netted two points apiece.

Tim Woods with six points and Sam Borsetti and David Arria each with four points led St. John's. Completing the scoring with a basket each were Luciano DiMambro, Michael Callahan, Connor Berube, and William MacKinnon.

Syracuse 33, Pittsburgh 24

With a balanced scoring attack, Syracuse defeated Pittsburgh by nine. Chris Palmerino led the attack with nine points. Next in line were Matt Chiricosta with eight and James Wilkinson with five. Brian Priem threw in an additional four points while Troy Homola and Dan Pendenza each had three. Ryan Natale completed the scoring with a point of his own.

Brian Fortuna's nine points put him at the top of the scoring charts for Pittsburgh. Zach Shepard had six points while Nick DiRienzo had four. Dylan Champey and Tim Rossetti scored three and two points respectively. Brandon Wong and Brandon Keefe both played with great hustle on both ends of the floor.

Villanova 27, Notre Dame 26

In a nail biter, Villanova narrowly edged out Notre Dame by a one-point margin. Tyler Vibert again led the way with 13 points. Jeff Favuzza and Peter Warren each contributed four points. Rounding off the scoring with three points each were David Caira and Ryan Sweeney. Justin MacKinnon led the Irish attack with nine points. Colin Doherty dropped in seven and Patrick Barry had six. Blake Walker and Don Luise each had a basket.

Conference USA - Boys Grades 6 & 7

Marquette 37, Cincinnati 34

Marquette escaped with the three-point win. James Stokes led them with 18, Mike Amentola had ten points and Adam Kline scored four. Daniel Collins had three steals on defense. Cincinnati never quit and was led by James Welch with 17 points, while Kevin Burke added ten and Dylan Sullivan scored four. Kevin Mitchell played excellent defense for Cincinnati.

Tulane 60, St. Louis 34

Tulane played great on both offense and defense and was led by Mike Arria with 20 points, John Parsons scored 14 and Matt McKenna scored seven. Adam Paquette fought hard on defense for Tulane. Andrew Spurr led St. Louis's offensive attack with 15. Tyler Canning had eight, and James Bonish drained six points. Brett McCoy never gave up on defense and had two steals.

Louisville 52, Sout. Miss 18

Louisville played very well and was led by Nick Godzyk with 12 points, Brenton Bockus netted 11 and Cameron Garratt scored nine points. Matthew McGrath was a ball hawk on defense. Southern Miss's top scorer was Tom Broman with ten points, Steve Petinge had three and Matthew Palermo drained two. Tim Broman played great defense for Southern Miss.

Houston 44, E. Carolina 26

Houston played an overall excellent game and was led by Derek O'Dea with 22 points, Anthony Capozzi scored ten and Ben Levine dropped in four points. Philip Lentini had five steals to go along with six points for Houston. E. Carolina fought hard and was led by Chris DiCecca with eight points, Adam Saperia added six and Chris Crupi had three points. Jonathan Biondo was tough on the defensive end with three blocks.

Charlotte 24, Memphis 23

Charlotte came away with the one point win in a very exciting

contest. Matthew Cardarelli led them with 18 points, Kyle Albanese netted four and Tyler Valente added two. John Baker played good defense down the stretch.

Memphis's top scorer was Derek Queen with nine points, Adam Burke scored six and Andrew Wells poured in four points. Andrew Fino had two steals on the defensive end.

DePaul 43, South Florida 40

DePaul's balanced scoring and team defense was the difference as they defeated South Florida for a hard fought win. Leading the scoring for Florida was Dave Mello with 14 points, Jonathan Davidson eight, Marc Webber seven, and Ryan Walsh added three points. Robert Sutura and Alex Haigh led DePaul on defense. South Florida was led in scoring by Michael Gracia with 20 points, Sean Hanley ten, and Robert Cameron also scored ten points. Pat McGondel and Adam DiTocco led South Florida in rebounding.

NBA - Boys Grades 8-10

Lakers 47, Nets 45

In a very exciting game, the Lakers came away with a two-point victory. Every player on the Lakers scored in this team win. Matthew Celeste led the way with 14 points. Ian Sullivan was next in line with 13 while Nick Danas and Joseph Polcari each had five points.

Dan McCarty had four followed by Sean Keane and Brandon Anderson with a hoop each. Michael Manganelli showed a great scoring touch by dropping in 20 points. Stephen Tello had another nine while Jeff Kannally had eight. Ryan Fahey threw in another six points and Patrick Boyle completed the scoring with a deuce of his own.

Cavaliers 59, Hornets 36

The Cavaliers first half scoring was just too much for the Hornets to overcome. Three Cavs scored in double digits. Scott Bonica led the attack with 16, Justyn Loguidice had 14, and Charlie Waitt had another 13 points. Cameron Shepard dropped in four points with Brad Jackson and Connor Clifford scoring two. Scott Bonish and William Starratt led the attack for the Hornets as they both scored ten points on the day. Anthony Vibert had seven, while Matt Bocchino had five. Joseph Rastellini completed the scoring with four.

Knicks 72, Bulls 44

The offensive explosion of the Knicks was a sight to be seen. Donald Morse led all scorers with 22. Tyler Whalen also had a great scoring day throwing in 18 points. Matt Hachey and Michael Wilkinson each had eight points while Ryan McCarthy and Billy Reynolds had six points apiece. Mark Sullivan had the final four points in the victory.

Anthony Liberatore led the Bulls with 14 points. Ryan Kennedy (11 points) and Patrick Enwright (ten points) showed great shooting from behind the arc. Omar Shaikh had four points while Andrew Flood and Dennis Gingras completed the scoring with a hoop each.

Wizards 48, Grizzlies 40

The Stucky brothers paved the way in this game with Bill scoring 14 and Ben 13. Justin Rivera contributed another six points while Michael Chiricosta threw in four. Ryan Searles' two points finished off the scoring attack. Tom Barry had 12 points for the Grizzlies in this hard-fought game. Dylan Reed and Jason Pereira each had eight while James Marra had seven. Ryan Derian threw in another 3 and Christian Sanborn rounded out the scoring with a basket.

GIRLS

Atlantic 10 Grades 3 & 4
Temple 15, Dayton 8

Balanced scoring in each half led to Temple's victory. Taylor Perella had six points while Rachel Cormier had four. Alexandra Bischoff and Elizabeth Dullea had two points in the win. Rounding out the scoring was Lauren Strong with a point of her own. Liz Harvey had six of Dayton's eight points. Samantha DePasquale contributed the last bucket. Emma Gaudreau, Lauren DePasquale, Hanover Vale, and Megan Stone worked very hard on both ends of the floor.

Rhode Island 24, LaSalle 20

Rhode Island's four-point first half advantage could not be overcome. Michaela Ouellette was a one-girl-scoring machine by dropping in 20 points. Michelle Murray and Caroline Johnston each contributed two points in the win. LaSalle had six girls scoring at least one hoop. Tierney McCue had six, while Brianna Anderson and Melissa Furlong had four points apiece. Erica Lloyd, Michaela Rodenhiser, and Amanda Richards each netted a hoop for two points of their own.

George Washington 13, Richmond 12

This game sure was a showstopper. Both teams went back and forth with a buzzer beater by Hannah Brown of George Washington. She finished off the day with eight points. Kimberly Donoghue notched the other five points for George Washington. Richmond was able to keep pace with Washington by having a balanced attack from its players.

Heather Benson and Shreya Pai each threw in four to lead the way. Sarah Ennis and Jillian Williams each had two points to complete the scoring. Both teams played a well-fought game.

St. Joe's 20, Fordham 14

St. Joe's Hannah Reynolds was the game's leading scorer with 12 points, including two for two from the free throw line. Adrianna Kippenberger had six points while Rachel Cummings threw in the final two. Rachel Mara was the leading scorer for Fordham with four points.

Five players, Kristen Connors, Kristen Luise, Gianna Mirabella, Alivia Hamel, and Samantha MacInnis, all had two points apiece. Marina Otis, Casey MacDonald, and Amber Peach

showed great defensive pressure for their teams.

Xavier 9, Duquesne 6

Kaitlyn Cowden's seven points helped Xavier come away with a three-point victory. Katherine McKenna dropped in the final two points. Duquesne had four points from Chloe Castellano and two from Caroline Robarge. Kristina Nicol, Jillian Doyle, Victoria Ferreira, Krista Tedesco, Sarah Flodin, and Michelin Brown showed great hustle.

Atlantic Coast - Girls Grades 5 & 6

Florida State 27, Maryland 23

Evenly matched teams that each played their hearts out. For Florida State Kerri Anne Marino scored six straight points for the team to go ahead. Sara Luz was great on defense and Delaney Gillis and Lizzy Hill played well. For Maryland Kayla Falter and Ryanne Newhouse each scored. Valerie Belding and Kelsey Morgan played great defense. Emily Crannell was awesome with 16 points.

Virginia 27, Clemson 10

Clemson battled against tough Virginia. Megan Howland, Kristin Ingala, and Lauren Sullivan really played well. Kalli Savvas and Taylor Cushing were great on defense. As for the Virginia center Nicole Lunt, Megan Priem, and Gianna Tummino had outstanding games. Kim Woods, Kelly Cassidy, Ryan Cahill, and Christina Riley each scored.

North Carolina 19, Duke 16

Game of the year! North Carolina came out in the first half and was up by 12 points. Taylor O'Byrne and Jackie Kennedy had good games. But Duke's second half explosion and great coaching caught up to North Carolina with one second left in regulation.

Rachael Grabar was sent to the line hitting one of two. In overtime North Carolina did go ahead and stay ahead by three. What an exciting and hard working game. The Duke squad should be proud for not giving up.

Wake Forest 29, Miami 28

Twenty-two second half points, including a buzzer beater from Marissa Genovese gave the one-point victory to Wake Forest. Genovese had 18 points followed by Jessica Phelan with six.

Alexandra Gemellaro had three and Ashley Gillis had the final two points. Lisa Hitchins of Miami was once again the leading scorer as she almost single handedly won the game by scoring 20 points.

Hitchins hit a remarkable four three-point shots. Alexandra Derian, Janelle Celeste, Caitlin Cheney, and Isabella Contrada each threw in a basket in Miami's loss.

WNBA - Girls Grade 7-10

Comets 43, Mercury 29

The Comets team offense was just too much for the Mercury to handle. Randi Davis had ten points followed by four players with eight points each - Larissa Ingala, Megan McCool, Jessica Lavin, and Kasey Stokes. Tara Van Vranken threw in the final point for the Comets.

With ten second-half points Colleen Kennedy led Mercury. Stephanie Weymouth had seven and Angelina Amato had six. Nicole Cherubino, Sherin Chakoran, and Megan Cox each dropped in a hoop.

Sparks 24, Fire 19

The Sparks were ignited in this well played game. The duo of Elizabeth Crannell and Ali Lyman led the way with 12 points each. This was all the offense the Sparks would need. The Fire got eight points from Jennifer Carroll, seven from Jessica Stuke, and a hoop each from Kayla Rossetti and Shannon Keefe, but it was not enough to ward off the Sparks.

Kim Nasiff, Erin Baranow, Vanessa Domond, and Bryanne Mara showed great hustle in the losing cause.

Liberty 32, Storm 15

Miss Liberty was just too powerful for the Storm. Danielle Polcari led all scorers with 14 points, including a trey. Laurel Pickett scored ten and Kaila Whoolley had eight. Ivy Co and Nicole Luz each threw in two points to complete the scoring for the Liberty.

Casey Otovic had ten points for the Storm. Mikayla Grassia had a triple while Maureen Worthington had an additional two points. Carly Gillis, Kaleigh Bernardo, and Brianne Dancoc showed great hustle.

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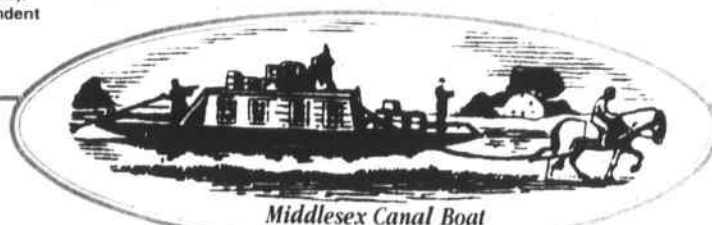
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Lucius Beebe Memorial Library looks into the future with 150 years of experience and service to the community

Grand and glorious history for Beebe

By DOUG WOOD-BOYLE

After 150 years of great service to Wakefield the Lucius Beebe Memorial Library and its staff are in preparations for a bright future of community service, not only in the world of books but also in the world of technology.

"We are trying to articulate what our role in the world is," Assistant Library Director Liz Doucett said. "I don't think we can keep saying we are in the world of books anymore because it is so much more than that."

However, Doucett's statement does not discount the role that books play in the library. As of this year, the Beebe Library has 297,795 volumes on hand between the adult and children's collections as compared to the 1,678 volumes in the Library after its first three years.

"I think there are more books available," Doucett said. "The people that read, read more now."

She added, "Libraries are sort of at a cusp. We have to think about how to keep ourselves relevant."

One way of keeping a library the size of the Beebe relevant is by using technology to make more books and research resources available to the patrons. To this end, Beebe is a member of the North of Boston Library Exchange (NOBLE) and the state run Northeast Massachusetts Regional Library System (NMRLS).

NOBLE allows the patrons of its member 17 public libraries and nine college libraries to borrow books that might not be available at the local resource. NMRLS is a state run exchange system that is used to transfer books and

materials from one member library to another.

In size, the Beebe is eleventh of the 17 public libraries in NOBLE. However, this is definitely a case where size is deceiving.

In a recent report to the Wakefield Finance Committee, a chart shows that the Beebe stands in the top three in seven of eight categories, it is in fourth place in the eighth category.

They are:

First place in number of patrons - over 300,000;

Second place in number of patrons per-hour - 95;

Second place in annual reference transactions - 30,182;

Third place in number of computers available to the public - 37;

Third place in annual Children's Programs attendance - 9,489;

Third place in Annual Meeting Room uses - 702;

Third place in Circulations per-hour - 95; and

Fourth place in Annual Circulation - 301,021.

This is a formidable record for a library that when it was first formed in 1856 and succeeded five private specialty libraries that were located near the Town Common. They were the Ecclesiastical, Social, Franklin, Phenological, and Mechanics Libraries.

According to the history on the website www.wakefieldlibrary.org, "The town's first public library was established in 1856, when a committee consisting of B.F. Tweed, Lilley Eaton, Fred A. Sawyer, J.M. Evans, George O. Carpenter, and



LEFT TO RIGHT: REFERENCE LIBRARIAN Leane Ellis, Circulation Assistants Patricia Adams and Marie Field, and Youth Librarian Steve Conner. At top, Wakefield's stately Lucius Beebe Memorial Library with 150 years of service to the community

James Oliver was formed to take the necessary steps towards establishing a library. The library was then located in the old Town House, overlooking the Common.

"The following year Town Meeting appropriated \$300 to buy books and pay the salary of a librarian. Lucius Beebe was the first chairman of the Board of Library Trustees.

"The first librarian, from 1856 to 1857, was Henry E. Eaton. He was followed by Miss E.M. Newhall, who served until 1859, by which time the library held 1,678 volumes.

"She was succeeded by Mrs. Emily C. Poland, who served until 1866. Miss Ella E. Morrison took over in that year and served until 1888.

"In 1868 the library moved to the new Town Hall, at the corner of Main and Water Streets, which had been donated by Cyrus Wakefield, after whom the town is named. Lucius Beebe donated \$500 toward the purchase of new books, which at the time was nearly equal to the annual salary of a typical laborer.

"That year Town Meeting honored him by voting to change the library's name to "Beebe Town Library of Wakefield". Miss Victorine E. Marsh had been appointed librarian in 1868 and she served until 1885 when she resigned due to ill health and was replaced by Mrs. Harriet A. Shepard. In 1904 a branch library headed by Miss H. Gertrude Lee was opened in a room at the Greenwood School.

"Five years later, in 1909,

Miss Lee succeeded Harriet Shepard as head librarian, who retired after 25 years of service."

According to the history, the library continued to grow and the Beebe family continued to be the most generous benefactors. Also, according to the history, "In 1916, the townspeople purchased a lot at the corner of Main and Avon Streets for \$16,000. That same year, Junius Beebe, son of Lucius Beebe, donated \$60,000 (average annual salaries at that time were around \$700) toward the construction of a new library building, to be built in memory of his parents, Lucius and Sylenda. The cornerstone was laid on March 17, 1922 and the building was dedicated on April 15, 1923."

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Movie Reviews

by Paul Feely

"THE MATADOR" A BREEZY COMEDY



A HIT MAN WHO'S VERY GOOD AT WHAT HE DOES, but is losing his taste for the business. Danny is a salesman whose marriage and finances are in trouble. One night, at the hotel bar, these two men meet (Pierce Brosnan and Greg Kinnear.) Before long, they find themselves having an extremely unique Mexico City experience, one that will change them both forever in Matador.

MOVIE:

"THE MATADOR"

The Matador is a dark comedy about an average guy who falls under the influence of a self-described "facilitator of fatalities." The innocent man is Danny Wright (Greg Kinnear), a squeaky-clean businessman from suburban Denver who goes to Mexico City to make a pitch for his small company.

There he bumps into a fellow hotel guest, Julian Noble (Pierce Brosnan), and is immediately taken with this amusing fellow's hard-drinking, cynicism-spewing, Hawaiian-shirt-wearing approach to life. (There's a priceless scene of Julian striding through a crowded hotel lobby on his way to the pool clad only in black Speedo swim briefs, black sunglasses, black shoes and black socks.)

The two get along famously, though Julian is coy about his line of work.

"You a spy, something like that?" Danny prods while they're watching a bullfight. At that point Julian reveals that he's a contract killer, a guy who's sent all over the world to eliminate people who need eliminating.

Danny is pretty sure Julian is joking. At least he hopes so. On the other hand, it would be kind of cool to have an assassin for a buddy.

One of the clever notions concocted by writer/director Richard Shepard is that with Danny, a man with no killer instinct, and Julian, a bottom-feeding loner who seems never to have experienced everyday normalcy, each has what the other needs.

Just how sticky that can be is developed in the film's second act, when many months later a desperate Julian shows up at the home of Danny and his wife (Hope Davis). The killer laments that he has lost his nerve. He has fumbled one hit, and if he doesn't pull off the next flawlessly he'll be the next victim.

What's a friend to do? Danny decides to accompany Julian on his next job so that he can boost the doubting killer's confidence with lots of pep talks. But here's the big question: If Julian freezes again, will Danny pull the trigger for him?

Shepard's screenplay introduces lots of intimations of morality and mortality but ultimately sidesteps any heavy substance in favor of a breezy comedic style. Kinnear and Brosnan pull it off perfectly.

MOVIE:

"FIREWALL"

GRADE: **

The story behind the Harrison Ford movie Firewall, looks like a reformulation of just about every hero Ford has played since Han Solo in the Star Wars franchise.

It's yet another movie where Ford plays a grumpy, reluctant hero protecting vulnerable people from bad guys. As generic as it is, it's still kind of entertaining, as long as you leave your brain disengaged.

Ford plays Jack Stanfield, a high-tech security specialist who lives in a fabulous house in Seattle designed by his beautiful architect wife (Virginia Madsen). The chaos level at the Stanfield house runs high, boosted by a barking mutt and a remote-control toy, both of which are introduced so prominently you just know they're going to figure into the plot later.

Jack's life is interrupted by Bill Cox (Paul Bettany), a villain who, with his crew of bad-

dies, breaks into Jack's house and take his family hostage. This is all part of a ridiculously elaborate plan to force Jack to hack into the computer system of the bank he's protecting and transfer millions of dollars into Cox's account. It's one of those movie schemes that requires everything to work just right, which, of course, it can't even in a cinematic universe.

You know how this works, right? Just when it gets to the point where it looks like Jack has no way out, he finds a way. There's a certain satisfaction in watching a Ford character gain the upper hand, and 24 fans will get a kick out of watching him get help from Mary Lynn Rajska (Chloe on the television series), once again playing a surly woman who aids a grim hero named Jack.

Without its great cast, Firewall would have gone straight to DVD, where it could have turned into a home-video sleeper rather than a big-screen blowout.

MOVIE:

"FINAL DESTINATION 3"

GRADE: **

A once-clever premise reaches the end of its ride in Final Destination 3. This gory sequel begins with a promising thrill ride on a roller coaster, but by the end has become little more than a merry-go-round, spinning pointlessly in circles.

As in the original Final Destination, a group of teens who narrowly escaped disaster are stalked by a mysterious death force and wiped out one by one in the order they would have died. In this case, the Grim Reaper's rampage is sparked by a roller coaster ride gone awry during a high school senior-night celebration at an amusement park. Mary Elizabeth Winstead is the yearbook photographer who has a premonition of impending doom seconds before she and her classmates are about to be launched on the ride.

Director and co-writer James Wong masterfully stages this opening sequence, an exercise in suspense and paranoia that evokes the build-up to an amusement park ride in visceral



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al detail. As with many such rides, however, all the twists and turns are a let-down after the tantalizing mixture of fear and excitement that precedes them.

Wendy escapes the ride before disaster strikes, along with her best friend's boyfriend, Kevin (Ryan Merriman), and a handful of classmates. The movie settles into a tedious grind as the students are dispatched to the great beyond in increasingly convoluted and gruesome ways. The sadistic contraptions Wong devises aren't nearly as ingenious or fresh as they were two movies ago, leaving viewers with the hope that this Final Destination is indeed the end of the line.

MOVIE:

"UNDERWORLD: EVOLUTION"

GRADE: *

As he was not enamored with the 2003 original 'Underworld', this reviewer wasn't looking forward to the sequel 'Underworld Evolution'. His worst fears came true on screen, and it had nothing to do with the battles between werewolves and vampires.

If there ever were a film that just flat out didn't deserve

another go-around it was 'Underworld', and 'Evolution' picks up exactly after the events of the first film. Why?

Vampire assassin Selene (Kate Beckinsale, looking ravishing in skin-tight leather) breaks ties with her clan by killing her mentor Viktor.

Most sequels retain a lot of the elements of the original, it's not a prerequisite to enjoy the next installment. Not true with this one. Director Len Wiseman seems to realize 15 minutes into the film that he needs to catch people up on what's happened beforehand, so tries this sped-up flashback technique which just makes everything harder to follow.

Worse, most of the characters Wiseman focuses on during these tripped-out flashbacks don't play any roles in 'Evolution', so it's just more time that you have to spend waiting for your back end to go numb in the seat.

Selene's only friend in her war against both vampire and werewolves is her hybrid boyfriend Michael (Scott Speedman) who manages to keep his hair looking very GQ

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Danvers, MA -St. John's Preparatory School recently announced the names of students who earned academic honors for the second quarter of the 2005-2006 school year. Students who qualified for the Headmaster's List earned grades of A- or above in all courses; students who qualified for the Principal's List earned grades of B+ or above in all courses; and students who qualified for the Honor Roll earned grades of B or above in all courses.

The following students were named to the Headmaster's List for the 2nd Quarter 2005-2006.

BURLINGTON

Ryan Gavin '08

NORTH READING

Brendan Fortin '09

Sean McDonnell '09

Richard Powers '08

READING

Matthew Anthony '08

Edward Costigan '08

WAKEFIELD

Anthony Mullen '09

The following students were named to the Principal's List for the 2nd Quarter 2005-2006.

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Brian Connaughton '06

William Pepicelli '08

LYNNFIELD

Robert Colby '07

Christopher McNamara '06

Matthew Palumbo '07

NORTH READING

Luke Harmeling '08

Robert Shaw '08

READING

Derek Andren '07

Andrew Barrett '07

Matthew Cullen '08

Ryan Lanigan '07

Nicholas Marinakis '08

Daniel McDade '07

Michael Rusinak '07

Steven Soccorso-McCoy '07

Kevin Twomey '07

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The following students were named to the Honor Roll for the 2nd Quarter 2005-2006.

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Terence Reardon '08

Lincoln Rose '07

Thomas Terranova III '09

NORTH READING

Connor Fortin '07

Logan Green '09

Tyler Hoffman '09

Kevin Poplaski '09

Alexander Quadros '08

Matthew Sullivan '06

READING

Michael Carrick '06

Stephen Connors '09

John Dannemiller '08

Samuel Gass '09

Andrew Gordon '09

Michael Johnson '09

Brian Stager '06

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Brian Winne '07

KangKui Wu '07

STONEHAM

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Marcus Mitrano '06

Patrick Murphy '08

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About the Towns

by Phyllis Nissen

HEY: THE 'METEOROLOGICAL' SPRING HAS ARRIVED

As the curtain rises (Stoneham)

"The Stoneham Theatre finished up 'Pal Joey' and is heading for performances of 'Dracula' as the fall-winter-spring theater season picks up steam," notes the "Stoneham Independent."

"The opening also gave the Stoneham Theatre hierarchy a chance to look back and to constantly review the next six or seven plays for the 2006-2007 season. And in looking back to the start in 2000, people like Managing Director Jon White-Spunner couldn't be happier."

"To be where we are after five years is phenomenal," beams White-Spunner, a Zimbabwe native who found his way to Stoneham through the Union of South Africa. "It's remarkable how we grew but it's also because of a strong partnership with the likes of people from Stoneham, Woburn, Reading, Winchester and the eleven core communities who support our efforts."

"While the North Shore Theater gets back to its 1,200-plus theater-in-the-round concept after a disastrous fire, the Stoneham Theatre only seats 300 but has an ever-faithful base that gets season tickets, as well as groups in the area who buy blocks of seats."

"The theater-goers are appreciative of the effort, he says, along with the artistic challenges of the performers themselves. Nearly all performers come from Boston or the Boston area, with a few from New York, but for the most part, that is it," says White-Spunner.

"The mission statement of the non-profit group is to make the theater affordable for people while showing the exceptional talents of many performers in the area, who themselves are challenged to keep improving every night, every performance."

"What is a non-profit group in this case," inquires White-Spunner, who asks such rhetorical questions to groups like Rotary Club at a noontime luncheon at the Holiday Inn Select in Woburn.

"The answer, he continues, is entertainment and opportunity, namely the challenge to directors and actors to put on a quality play."

"Presently, some 53 percent of all revenue comes from the core communities in the area, while 45 percent of the ticket-buyers come from the general area. Also, there are a host of strong corporate donors who support the arts."

"Ticket prices are artificially low," admits White-Spunner, whose budget reporting shows about a \$1.3 million per year operation.

"Artistic Director Weylin

Symes adds: "Those of you who are already part of our family know that Stoneham Theater means free parking, spacious, comfortable seating, reasonable prices, no traffic hassles and the very best in live theatrical entertainment right in your backyard...."

As the 'word' turns

"Townies hate blow-ins," notes the "Wilmington Town Crier."

"Like fire and water, some things were just meant to be opposites. Call someone a (townie) out loud and you might get your pumpkin caved in by a furious Yankee, but the term isn't a bad one really. It just means someone who has lived in the same town for life, often the same address as a few earlier generations."

"A blow-in, on the other hand, is someone who just bought a new house or condo on the outskirts of town and couldn't find the highway without first looking for the red-and-blue-interstate signs."

"No matter how hard the blow-ins try to blend in to the community, though, the townies can still spot them. Blow-in kids are taunted in school, the poor newcomers will find townies spitting on their dog and defiling their mailboxes, and most blow-ins will eventually pull up stakes and leave the town in anger and frustration, just because they couldn't fit in. It's sad."

"But here at last is a ray of hope, as a public service, the Town Crier would like to offer this lifesaving gift to blow-ins, to improve their standing in the community, and to keep the shootings in check."

"The easiest way to blend in to any New England town is to pronounce the names of the local towns and streets

properly. True fact" If the local names are spoken correctly, the townies will figure you just came in from the next town, instead of from another time zone and they'll flock to your door with house warming gifts and warm wishes.

As the budget falls

"There is not going to be a move to find funding within the current budget to hire a professional planner," notes the Winchester edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"Town Manager Mel Kleckner told the Board of Selectmen that contrary to his previous position, he does not intend to recommend funding the position for the rest of the current fiscal year."

"The decision was made by the Board of Selectmen."

announced with the apparent blessing of at least two members of the Planning Board, which has been consistently pushing for a planner since the departure of Todd Ford, the former director of Planning and Community Development a few years ago.

"Selectman" Chuck Nurnberger said Planning Board members chairman Maureen Meister and Charles Smith were very understanding of the 06 situation, looking at it as a complete package.

Kleckner said, "I have further considered the issues associated with finding the town planner position within the fiscal 2006 budget. Although I had indicated in my budget message and during other points in the FY 2006 budget process, my intent to identify funds for this purpose, I agreed to the reluctance expressed by many to fund a permanent position of the town without a more comprehensive budget approach."



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School Notes

by Phyllis Nissen

SKIPPING THROUGH THE SEASONS

An invaluable resource for Reading

Officer Matt Edson has been chosen to serve next fall as the town's first School Resource Officer," notes the Reading edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"Back in November, Town Meeting Members approved funding for the position of a School Resource Officer. Matt Edson taking over that role, the \$35,000 will be used to hire a new police officer to fill the roster spot left vacant."

The new officer will undergo six months of training while at the same time Edson undergoes training for his new duties. He is expected to be ready to take his place as an SRO for the start of the 2006-2007 school year.

Matt will undergo several training sessions to get him prepared to start next September," said Reading Police Chief James Cormier. He'll take part in a 40 hour class, plus there are other, more specialized training sessions he can take part in. As chief, I'll also take on some training, to make sure we're all on the same page regarding procedures when operating in a school environment."

Cormier also stated that there could be other changes on the horizon in the police department.

According to Cormier, there is a chance that Safety Officer Tom Murphy could be leaving the department to join the Massachusetts State Police. If that occurs, Officer Michelle Halloran would become the Safety Officer.

"He also said that Officer Mark Segalla would be promoted to the rank of Detective."

Back in focus in Burlington

"With an announcement indicating 'no substantial changes' from their previous agreement, the School Committee recently voted unanimously to ratify a three-year contract with the cafeteria employees' union," notes the Burlington edition of the "Daily Times Chronicle."

"The pact is retroactive to this past July 1, running until June 30, 2008."

"Director of Operations and Finance Craig Robinson, who along with member Christine Monaco comprised the School Committee's negotiating team, announced the agreement."

Healthy focus in North Reading

"As more school districts

across the country are focusing on healthy and nutritious meals and snacks for students, so too is North Reading," notes the "North Reading Transcript."

"At the Hood School Parent's Association meeting, a presentation on nutrition informed parents about healthy eating practices for children. Hood School principal, Dr. Katsos, reviewed recent changes in food practices in the schools, including the restriction of cupcakes and sweets in classrooms for birthdays, and an attempt to use balance and moderation with food on other occasions. She praised students and teachers for thinking of creative nonfood alternatives."

"Chartwell's Food Service Director Anna McGovern, explained that the 'Balanced Choices' program identifies lunch meals and snacks that are low in fat and sugar. Under this program, Chartwell's must offer a minimum of 20% Balanced Choice snack options, which translates into 2 out of every 10 snacks being low in fat and sugar content."

"Parents were also treated to a presentation from Cynthia Bayerl. Bayerl is a North Reading resident, a registered dietician and Coordinator of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health's Nutrition and 5-a-day program. Bayerl expressed pleasure in being invited to present to the group and commended the North Reading school system for its proactive efforts to improve health and wellness. Citing key findings from the 1999 Massachusetts Youth Risk Behavior survey, Bayerl explained that adolescents consumed only 2.7 servings of fruits and/or vegetables per day and only 14% ate five fruits or vegetables recommended by nutritional guidelines. She noted that healthy eating is important in preventing chronic illnesses and highlighting some findings from www.actionforhealthykids.org in which healthy eating and physical activity account for increased academic scores, improved daily school attendance and better classroom participation. Bayerl said the best tools for families involved understanding health as more than just a food issue (physical activity is important), checking food labels, recognizing good and bad trans-fats and involving children in food preparation and learning activities."

"Bayerl's presentation was informative and concise and supported the overall effort as the North Reading School district is working to develop a nutrition and wellness policy by June 2006. It is a collaborative approach involving administrators, parents,

food service providers, school nurses, teachers and students themselves in an effort to create policies promoting healthy eating habits in schools."

If you'd like to read about your favorite school, student or teacher in "School Notes," please send school newsletters and other relevant information to Phyllis Nissen, "School Notes," Middlesex East Supplement, Box 240, Reading, MA 01867 or to schooltowns@comcast.net. We welcome student writing.

Towns

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will deter the funding proposal for this position to the fiscal 2007 annual budget process.

"I do believe the issue deserves some discussion at Town Meeting. I suggest that the position be formally classified (including the elimination of the former position). In addition, I have revised the Memorandum of Agreement that addresses the jurisdiction and management of the position (once funded) to reflect the budget deferral. I recommend that the board vote to adopt the new MOA at this time. I have reviewed it with the working group and they find it acceptable..."

"So, here is a townie glossary of common names in the Merrimack Valley. You'll blend right in if you sound like a native. Here we go."

"First, Tewksbury is a tough one to pronounce. Don't say it like it sounds, or all the townies will sneer at you and mail you nastygrams."

"The first syllable in Tewksbury sounds like (took), as in he took out the trash, and not 'two.' That's a subtle difference, but the delicate townie ear can pick it out in a crowd. But saying the first part in the town's name to sound like 'tux' is going too far."

"The last syllable is a Yankee quirk of ancient standing, no matter what town it's attached to. Any New England name ending with 'bury' should be spoken to rhyme with 'furry' and not 'berry' - try it."

"So, the name of this fair town is 'took-burry.' Try it out loud. Very good! There is hope."

"Luckily the name Wilmington is the same everywhere, so there is no problem there. The 'l' is optional but should be pronounced."

"To the south of Wilmington is the city of Woburn. Again, don't try to pronounce it as it's spelled - both syllables are tricky."

Athletes & Activities

by Paul Feely

SPORTS SHORTS

•MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA

What is the oldest professional sports trophy competed for in North America? Answer appears elsewhere in this column.

•STONEHAM HIGH VARSITY HOCKEY COACH

BILL SEABURY will soon be a member of the Stoneham High School Hall of Fame. Seabury retired two years ago from teaching physical education at the Stoneham schools and also recently stepped down as the SHS golf coach, but serves as the varsity hockey coach and the baseball coach at Stoneham High. A member of both the Massachusetts State Baseball Coaches Hall of Fame and the Massachusetts State Hockey Coaches Hall of Fame, Seabury has a career record of 406 wins and 213 losses - including a Division II State Title in 1995. The Third Class Inducted into the Stoneham High School Athletic Hall of Fame will be honored at an induction ceremony at the Montvale Plaza on Saturday, April 1 at 7 p.m. For more information about the inductees or to purchase

"Woe unto you if you pronounce the first syllable as 'woe.' Wrong. It's 'woo.' Accept no substitutes. And our delightful Yankee accent has twisted the last four letters to sound like 'bin' and never 'burn.' It's 'woo-bin.' Try it. Now say it a bit faster. Yup, that's it! Near Tooksbury is the town of Chelmsford, which is a blow-in's minefield. The 'L' is utterly gone in pronunciation and the 'Ford' is skewed as well. It's Chemz-fid. Say it faster. Better, better..."

tickets or tables for the ceremony, please call the Stoneham High School Athletic Department at 781-279-3806.

•CAROLINE SHEEDY (READING HS),

a freshman on the Bentley College indoor track team, recorded a personal best in the 1000 (3:07.90, 19th place) during the New England Championships Friday and Saturday at Boston University.

•THE BOSTON AMATEUR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

will be conducting free clinics for individuals interested in becoming umpire's for the 2006 softball season. Umpires will officiate youth and adult recreational leagues in their surrounding cities and towns. For more information please call 781-665-5925 or visit our web page, www.asa-boston.com.

The clinics will be held at the following locations:

North Shore Area:
Melrose Elks - 7:00 PM
Myrtle St. (behind Shaw's Supermarket)
Wednesdays - March 1st, March 8th, and 15th

•COREY IMBRIANO, 8,

OF WAKEFIELD won the 25 yd and the 50 yd Butterfly in the recent Beverly Y USS Swim Meet. Corey has been placing first on a regular basis during the EMass YMCA dual meet for Burbank YMCA Bluefins.

•FORWARD ERIN SWEET of the QUINNIPIAC COLLEGE

women's ice hockey team scored her first goal of the season against Union last Sunday. The

junior from **Tewksbury, Mass.** now has two points this season (one goal and one assist).

•Need some help on this week's trivia question? If you don't know the answer to this one, you're skating on thin ice.

•THE BURBANK YMCA BLUEFINS

traveled to Attleboro for the annual New England USA Regional Champs. **BURLINGTON'S ALYSSA HEISLER** had a big meet lowering her best time in seven of her nine events over the three day swim meet. Alyssa's 200 Free improvement of 5.94 seconds was her best time drop and moved her up in the team standings. Sister Kira Heisler improved her 50 Fly time with a 3.19 drop, 2.67 in her 100 IM and 0.6 second drop in her 100 Backstroke. **WILMINGTON'S ADAM OLIVER** swam a fast 100 Freestyle and lowered his personal best time by 2.83 seconds.

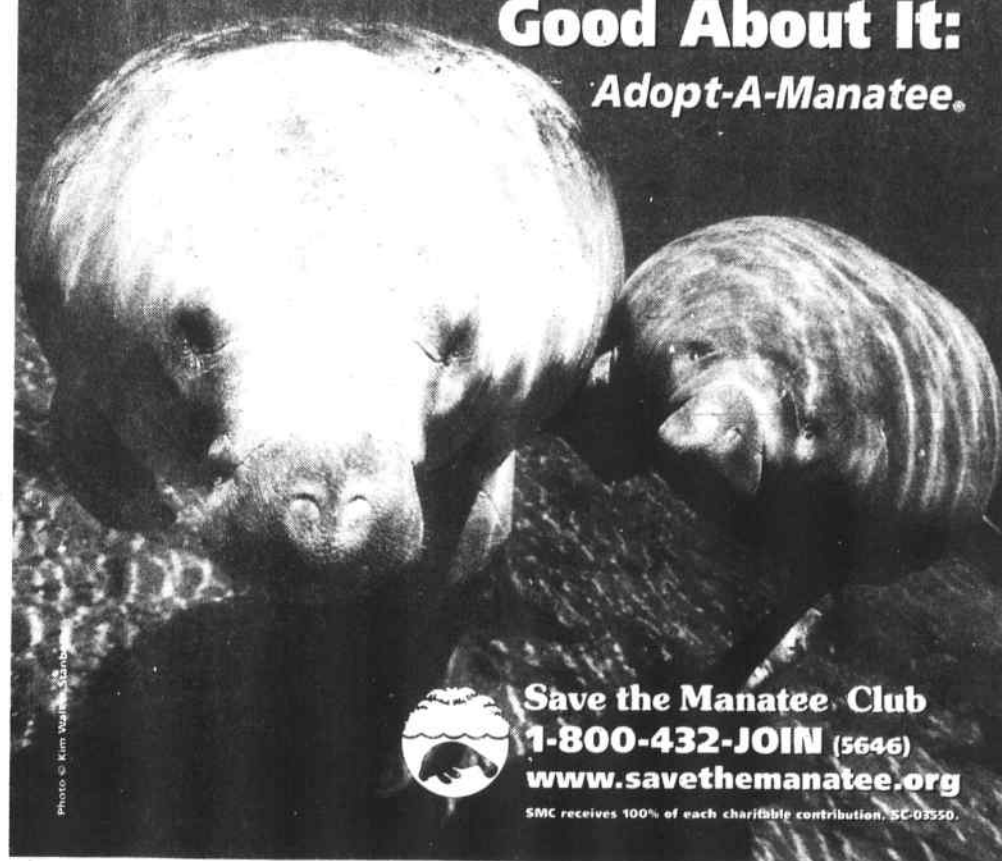
•ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION:

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•DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING WE DON'T?

If you have information about a local athlete that you would like to see appear in this column, please email it to readingchronicle@comcast.net, or mail it to: Paul Feely, Middlesex East Sports, P.O. Box 240, Reading, Ma., 01867, or call Paul at 781-944-2200 between 7 am and 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday, or fax information at 781-942-0884.

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Calendar of Events

DANCE PARTY 7 SILENT AUCTION

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The Evan Goodrow Band will be featured as well as a Silent Auction with all proceeds benefiting Easter Seals. Hors d'oeuvres, dessert, door prizes, cash bar and more. \$25 in advance by March 8, \$29 at the door, space permitting.

For more information call Meg at 978-663-9495.

SYMPHONY CONCERT SUNDAY, MARCH 12

Reading Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Roland Vazquez, Conductor, will present its annual Spring Concert. It will be playing Mendelssohn's Hebrides Overture, Piano Concerto #1, G-minor with Justin Chew on piano and Brahms Symphony #4 on Sunday, March 12 at 3:30 p.m. at Reading Memorial High School Auditorium.

Tickets at the door: adults \$15, seniors and students \$10 under 12 free.

For information call 978-664-0024.

ST. THERESA PARISH MISSION

A mission is an opportunity for all to move aside from the ordinary things in our lives, and to tap in to the extraordinary... wonder, mystery and prayer.

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The mission will take place at St. Theresa Church, 63 Winter St., No. Reading on Monday March 13, Tuesday March 14 and Wednesday, March 15 at 7 p.m. each night. Following Wednesday night's mission there will be a collation in the parish hall.

Come to the mission and consider inviting someone who may need love and peace in their lives right now.

SAMUEL OSGOOD STAMP CLUB

The Samuel Osgood Stamp Club will sponsor its annual show and exhibition on Sunday, March 12. Hours will be 9 to 4 and parking and admission are free. There will be a USPS Philatelic Sales Unit, a United Nations Postal Administration

Sales Unit and 24 dealer tables. Also featured will be door prizes, a youth table with free stamps and a philatelic "Chance Board."

There will be a show cancellation commemorating the 300th birthday of Benjamin Franklin, noted statesman and former Postmaster General of the United States.

SOPEX 2006 will be held at BPOE Elks Lodge, 652 Andover Street, Lawrence. Take exit 45 (River Road) off I 93 and proceed easterly toward Lawrence. River Road becomes Andover Street at the Andover/Lawrence town line. Elks Hall is on the left at the town line.

AARP MELROSE CHAPTER MEETING MARCH 10

The March 2006 meeting of Melrose Chapter #1124 will be held at the Melrose Highlands Congregational Church on Franklin Street in Melrose. Doors open at 1 p.m. Meeting begins promptly at 1:30 p.m. There is a special door at the rear, for anyone finding a set of stairs difficult at the front.

It has been noted that there are several dues still outstanding. Your cooperation would be much appreciated. A cash raffle has become a tradition and this meeting will be no exception.

Everyone attending this meeting will help support a cash-raising program for the Shriners Hospital Fund by bringing an item of approximate value of \$5 to be sold and donated to the cause. This may include home baked food or other such items.

Please come and bring a friend to hear the message from Director Robert Tibbetts informing all about this worthy cause and the wonderful volunteer work being done by the Shriners for crippled children and burn victims from around the world.

At the conclusion of this inspiring lecture, there will be two table of refreshments as well as coffee and tea.

If you need transportation call 781-245-7611 in Wakefield or 781-665-3258 in Melrose.

READING TEEN PLAYS WITH LOCAL SYMPHONY

For its March concert the RSO will feature Reading's own Justin Chew as soloist in Mendelssohn's Piano concerto #1. Justin is a 16 year old junior at Phillips Academy and an exceptional musical talent.

The concert will take place at Reading Memorial High School on Sunday, March 12 at 3:30 p.m. Tickets can be

obtained at the door: adults \$15, seniors/students \$10, under 12 free.

SINGLE SQUARES HAS ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE

The Single Square St. Patrick's Day Dance will be held on Friday, March 17. Mainstream with 2 PL tips from 8 - 10:30 p.m.

The caller is Chris Pinkham, cuer is Barbara Strong. The location is St. Anthony's Hall, 1020 Main St., (rte 38 north), Woburn. Admission is \$6 per person. For information call Bev 781-272-4185, Dan 781-933-0320 or Eva 781-890-2637.

"FACULTY RECITAL" IN WINCHESTER

Winchester Community Music School faculty recital featuring pianist Sara Yong Rosado with cellist Anne Bennett, performing works by Berg and Rachmaninoff will be on Monday, March 20 at 7 p.m. at the Winchester Community Music School, 407 Highland Ave, Winchester.

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Contact Meg at Suburban Adventure Club for newsletter/reservations 978-663-9495 or www.SuburbanAdventureClub.com.

CHARACTER BREAKFAST AT STONEHAM HIGH

Come have breakfast and meet your favorite characters at Stoneham High School on Saturday, March 11. From 8:30 to 11 a.m. a loveable explorer, a crazy sponge, and a red furry friend will be on hand to visit and sign autographs. The cost is \$5 for children, free for adults and children under one.

The event benefits the Stoneham Business and Community Educational Foundation (SBCEF). All proceeds will go to the youth of Stoneham as a SBCEF provides grants to schools and organizations for educational and cultural programs. So far this year SBCEF has given grants totaling over \$7000 to the schools, the library and the Historical Society. Since 1994 SBCEF has granted over \$60,000 in awards in the community.

The mission of the Foundation is to fund creative and innovative programs which promote the educational and cultural growth of the town's youth, but cannot be funded

within an organization's budget.

The SBCEF wishes to thank Century 21 GR Associates for sponsoring this event. Join the fun on March 11.

JOHN F. KENNEDY AND IRELAND

On St. Patrick's Day, March 17, the Museum at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library will open "A Journey Home - John F. Kennedy and Ireland," a special, new exhibit that explores President Kennedy's relationship to his ancestral homeland, featuring a large selection of never-before-seen materials from the Museum Collection including gifts presented to the President by the people of Ireland as well as other artifacts, documents, photographs and film footage relating to his Irish heritage and his June 26-29, 1963 state visit to the country of his ancestors.

President Kennedy relished his Irish heritage, and during his historic visit to Ireland remarked to the people of Limerick, "This is not the land of my birth but it is the land for which I hold the greatest affection."

General admission to the library is \$10, or \$8 for seniors and students, and \$k7 for children ages 13-17. Children 12 and under are free.

IMPRESSIONIST PORTRAIT DRAWING DEMONSTRATED

Cameron Bennett's "Impressionistic Portrait Drawing" will be demonstrated at the Reading Art Association's March meeting on Wednesday, March 8 at 8:30p.m. The location is Guild Hall, Congregational Church (middle side door), Sanborn Street, Reading.

Cameron Bennet, a native of

Brooklyn, NY, was instructed in art by his parents, both of them artists. His formal art instruction began at the Baltimore School for the Arts, a specialized high school, and continued at the Rhode Island School of Design, the Maryland Institute College of Art and the Mass. College of Art, where he received his B.F.A. in illustration.

After graduation he held various jobs as a painting conservator's assistant, quick sketch portrait artist, caricature artist and caster of plaster art objects.

Cameron's demonstration will be about drawing based on the "visual order", letting lights and darks lead rather than lines. He will do a head study from life. As he works, he will talk about the differences between academic and impressionistic.

HAVURAH HAVURIM TO HOST POTLUCK

Havurah Haverim, a Jewish

"community of friends" serving several local towns, will host a potluck dinner following a Havdalah service on Saturday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Reading. Rabbi Bart Perlman will continue to include an element of Jewish education in the service, with a focus on both Purim and Israeli politics in a parliamentary system.

To RSVP and for more information call Carol Perletz at 781-944-2605, perletz@comcast.net. Larry Cohen at 781-272-5828 or larry.cohen@comcast.net. or Barbara Adler at 781-272-5279 or bbadler@galactic-trading.com. www.havurahgroup.org.

MALDEN HISTORICAL ANTIQUITY SHOW

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Such was the case for Ester, a 75-year-old woman who has osteoporosis and spinal fractures. A light bulb in Ester's house blew and she couldn't reach the fixture to change it, so she was forced to rely on a flashlight to find her way around her home.

Fortunately, Sarah came to Ester's rescue. Sarah is just one of thousands of Faith in Action volunteers around the nation who spend a few hours per week helping neighbors with long-term health issues maintain their independence.

Faith in Action is an international volunteer caregiving organization that helps to unite the community by connecting volunteers with their neighbors in

need.

Each week, volunteers help their neighbors with small tasks like taking them to doctor's appointments, helping with the groceries or yard work, and running errands.

The program is supported by The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, which has helped to establish nearly 1,000 volunteer sites since the organization was established in 1984.

Recently, the group took action to increase the awareness of free services and to recruit new volunteers and members.

"Most people want to do good, most people want to help, but they just don't know how," said Della Reese, singer, actress and Faith in Action's national spokesperson. "Faith in Action gives these individuals a chance to make a real difference."

There are hundreds of Faith in Action programs across the United States that are working to ensure that more Americans receive the help they need to stay in their homes.

To find a nearby program and to learn how to volunteer for Faith in Action, call 877-324-8411 toll free or visit the organization's official website by logging onto www.faiinaction.org

Health & Medicine Check M.E. Out

Obesity an influence on osteoarthritis

Obesity and osteoarthritis may not seem as though they're directly linked, but people who are overweight face a greater risk of developing osteoarthritis of the knee.

You may not realize it, but extra weight places added pressure and stress on the knee and other joints, while Cartilage, the tissue which cushions the joints, is worn away due to this added stress. So by losing weight, you can alleviate symptoms associated with osteoarthritis, not to mention other ailments such as heart disease and diabetes.

Osteoarthritis is a progressive, degenerative joint disease that is characterized by a breakdown of the joint's cartilage. The damage to the cartilage causes bones to run against each other, which may lead to loss of movement and increased pain.

According to the Arthritis Foundation of America, one in three Americans suffers from joint pain and 20.7 million people in the United States are affected by osteoarthritis, which most commonly affects middle-aged and elderly individuals.

Evidence of the impact of obesity on osteoarthritis continues to grow. Data from the first National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey indicates that obese women have nearly four times the risk of developing osteoarthritis in the knee when compared to non-obese women. For men, the risk is nearly five times greater.

Currently, there is no cure for osteoarthritis, although several treatment options are available. And since many of the treatment options, such as pain relievers and anti-inflammatory medications have side-effects, researchers have turned their attention to studying nutritional interventions instead.

According to several clinical studies, a promising new treatment called collagen hydrolysate (CH), a special product derived from natural collagenous tissue, reduces pain, protects joint cartilage from damage while also strengthening the cartilage.

Studies suggest that consumption of ten grams of CH each day reduces pain and improves physical function in patients suffering from osteoarthritis when taken for at least sixty days.

Additionally, CH was shown to not only reduce pain, but it also seems to have reduced the need for pain relievers.

Laboratory experiments also suggest that CH, once ingested, accumulates in joint cartilage,

where it stimulates the formation of new cartilage.

CH is a natural nutritional supplement that offers an identical amino acid composition as the collagen which is present in joint cartilage. This is vital, as CH is able to produce collagen for the regeneration of joints.

Unlike other treatments, studies have suggested that there are no adverse side-effects associated with CH.

Various types of CH products are available on the market, including cold-water soluble powders and collagen hydrolysate drinks in various flavors. CH products are commonly found in the joint health section of drug and health stores.

In addition to CH, other important and easy steps that can help make osteoarthritis more manageable include: exercising to keep joints flexible and to improve muscle strength; controlling weight to prevent added stress on weight-bearing joints and avoiding activities that may cause strain or stress on affected joints.

A combination of all these activities may very well add that much needed spring to the osteoarthritis-sufferer's step.

Seniors write down medical information

Compared to younger age groups, older individuals are more likely to arrive at the hospital emergency room by ambulance. They're also more likely to receive a more extensive workup, to stay longer in the Emergency Room, to be admitted to the hospital and they're more likely to return to the ER as well.

An older person receiving emergency medical services is often too sick, frightened and/or confused to be considered a reliable source of information about his or her own health status and medical care.

In order to avoid an incorrect or delayed diagnosis and treatment due to scanty or unreliable information, geriatric specialists recommend that senior citizens write down important information which can then be left in a prominent location where family or emergency personnel are likely to find it.

What type of information should seniors include on their personal information sheet?

- At the top of the page, write "Vital Information" or "Medical History of..." (your name). Be sure to include your full name, preferred name or nickname, the contact information for next of kin and a designated decision maker, along with their phone number and address.

- Include information on your Medicare/Medicaid/Health Insurance identification number

and a phone number for the company.

- List the name and telephone number of your primary care physician and all medical specialists.

- Include Advance Directives, Living Wills, Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care, (Health Care Proxy), or Do Not Resuscitate Orders. Even if you do not have an advance directive, it's recommended that seniors write down their treatment wishes and preferences, especially concerning end-of-life care.

- List all your medications and their dosage. Don't forget to include the names and dosages of non-prescription drugs as well.

- Specify the name and phone number of your pharmacy.

- List any allergies to food, medications, contact allergies (like skin rashes as a result of contact with latex) and sensitivities.

- List normal physical functions such as dressing, personal hygiene, toileting, eating, walking, transferring, and bathing. Be sure to mention whether you require assistance performing any of the tasks.

- Specify whether you require physical aides, such as a walker, hearing aid, eyeglasses or dentures.

- Include information on your medical history and don't forget to mention surgeries or implants, such as pacemakers.

Once compiled, keep all of this information (and Advance Directives) in a see-through plastic folder next to routine medications and even consider hanging a copy on the back side of your home's front door.

Make several copies of this information and place it wherever those who will accompany the person to the emergency room may find it, perhaps on a bedroom dresser, or on a hall table near the front door.

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Christ's Passion rehearsals

It may seem to many that Good Friday and Easter are too far off to even think about at the moment, but the First Parish Congregational Church of Wakefield's *Christ's Passion* team sees it differently.

A total of twenty cast members and half that many more crowd scene actors have started rehearsing for the church's fifteenth annual production of *Christ's Passion*.

Some cast members and crowd extras have participated in this production for many years while others are new to its challenges and blessings.

With the guidance of *Christ's Passion* Director Pam Weisenbach Abkarian, volunteer cast members are working to perfect their performances in scenes taken straight from the Bible.

Director Abkarian said of last year's production, "*Christ's Passion* recreates the events of Jesus' last days on earth. It tells of the lessons he came to teach, the plot against him, the last supper, the betrayal, arrest, trial and cross.

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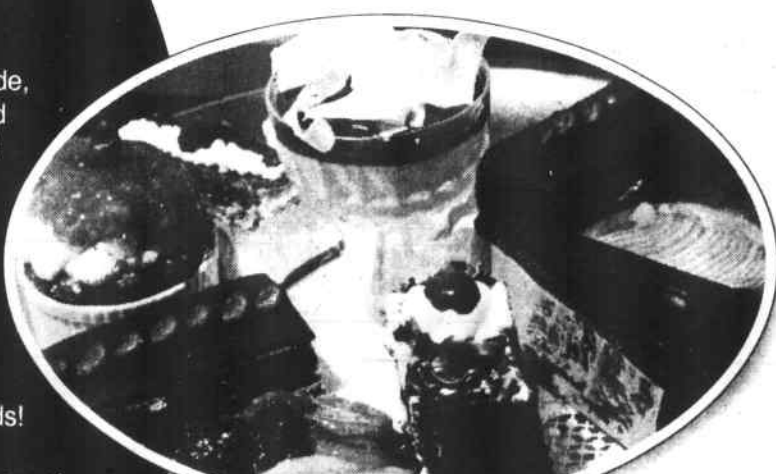
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COMPUTER CLASSES FOR ELDERLY

Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley SeniorNet computer lab is now accepting enrollment for new classes in the morning and afternoon. These computer classes are designed for senior learners and meet two hours, one day per week. They begin March 13 and continue for 8 weeks.

Beginner One is a very basic foundation class for students with no computer experience. Beginner Two introduces students to advanced computer possibilities. At least one of the foundation classes or equivalent computer skills is recommended before enrolling in any of the advanced classes.

SeniorNet offers word processing, introduction to the Internet, graphic creations, exploring Windows XP, digital camera instruction and photo imaging, a new course that guides students in the enhancement of digital photographs.

Classes are held at Elder Services, 360 Merrimack Street, Bldg. #5, Lawrence. Deadline for registration is March 10. For more information call SeniorNet at 800-892-0890, ext. 516.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY MUSIC IN LOWELL

Bob Drouin is a member of the Exiles, the band that will be kicking off the evening of entertainment at the Lowell Memorial Auditorium on St. Patrick's Day. The Exiles play exhilarating, traditional Irish instrumental dance music, as well as their own compositions, with vitality and spark.

Bob Drouin plays a dizzying array of melodic instruments, backed by one of the most driving rhythm sections in the business.

The Exiles feature the following seasoned and award winning professional musicians: Jay Gilbert (guitar, banjo, vocals), Jeff Feingold (bodhran - the Irish drum), and the already mentioned Bob

Drouin (fiddle, bouzouki, banjo, flute, whistle and vocals.)

The Exiles music ranges from sets of high energy jigs and reels to delicate finger picking tunes, to lively traditional songs.

The Exiles have been a regularly featured act at O'Leary's and Jacob Wirth's in Boston. The band has also played at the Lowell Irish Festival, The Elephant and Castle, and Honey Fitz pub.

For more information visit www.exiles.biz.

SPRINGTIME CRAFT FAIR IN STONEHAM

The First Congregational Church of Stoneham is hosting a Springtime Craft Fair on Saturday, March 25 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to benefit its steeple fund.

There are spaces for 40 vendors, 23 are already filled. Crafters who are interested in reserving a table should call the church office at 781-438-0097 or email the church at firstchurch-stoneham@verizon.net for more information and an application.

AAA TRAVEL SHOW ON MARCH 3 - 5

Area travel consumers will again find vacation deals in one stop at the third annual AAA Travel Marketplace, being held March 3 - 5 at Gillette Stadium (indoors at Fidelity Investments Clubhouse.) This year AAA is launching the all new "AAA Member Choice Vacations", a new concept in vacation planning which gives members the freedom to customize each trip to their needs.

AAA Southern New England's travel business is steadily growing and has now surpassed pre-September, 2001 levels. The entire U.S. travel and tourism industry was also improved last year, with domestic travel increasing 3.5 percent in 2005 compared to 2004, according to the Travel Industry Assn.

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This year The Fresh Air Fund needs more families to volunteer as hosts for the Friendly Town program. There are no financial requirements, and the host family can choose the age and gender of their visitor; all that is needed is time and love. First-time visitors range in age from 6 to 12 and can be invited back through The Fund until age 18.

Take the opportunity to learn more about The Fresh Air Fund and hosting a child this summer. Contact Mary Carroll at 978-975-4182 or call The Fund at 800-367-0003. www.freshair.org.

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mail at Reunion RHS '81, P.O. Box 92, Lynnfield, Ma. 01940.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION CLASSES OFFERED

Wakefield Community Education is holding an Open House registration at the Galvin Middle School cafeteria on Monday, March 13 from 7:30 to 9 pm.

This is an opportunity for students to talk with their teachers. Late registration is on Tuesday, March 14 and Wednesday March 15 from 7 - 8 p.m. For more information call 781-246-6444.

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To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send \$10 contribution to Ten Free Colorado Blue Spruce Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE, 68410 by February 28, 2006 or join on line at www.arborday.org.



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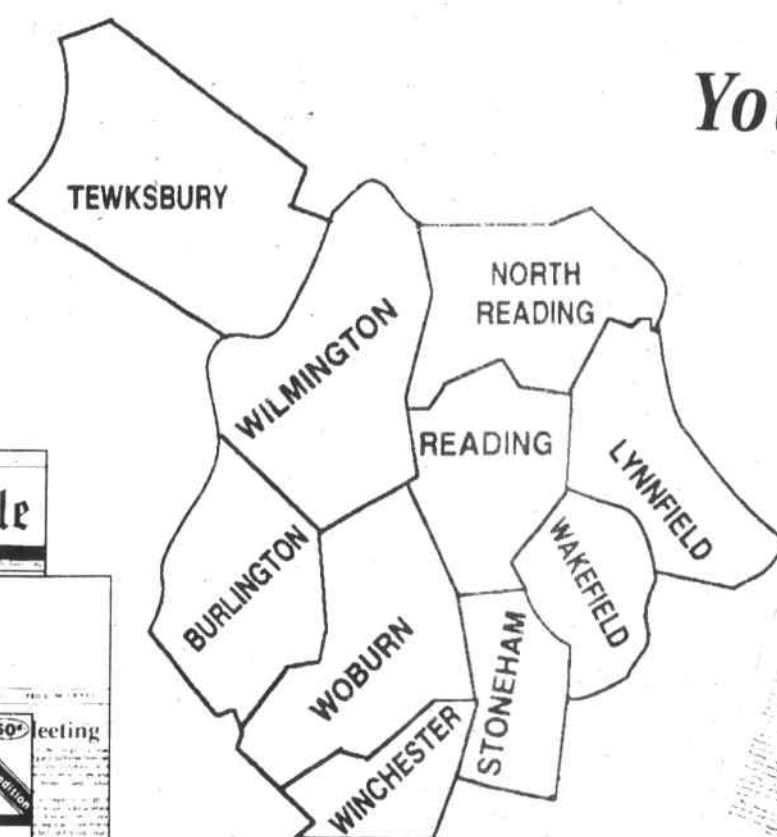
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Beebe Library

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"In 1967 the town appropriated funds to expand the original building, which was becoming overcrowded. An addition was designed by James F. Clapp, Jr., of the Boston architectural firm Shepley, Bulfinch, Richardson, and Abbott.

The addition was opened on September 14, 1969. From 1971 to 1974 Ruth B. Litchfield served as librarian.

She was followed by Margo Hampster, who served until 1976. In 1978 Sharon A. Gilley was appointed library director, and she has continued to serve in that capacity until the present day.

"The two branch libraries in Montrose and Greenwood were closed in 1981 due to the effects of mandated budget cuts under Proposition 2 1/2. That same year Wakefield became one of the founding member towns of the North of Boston Library Network, one of the first automated library systems in Massachusetts."

However, the Beebe Library could still not be content. In the late 1990's Town Meeting approved matching grants for a state grant to build another addition.

By written history notes, twenty-five years later, the Beebe Library had again outgrown its space. New library technologies as well as expanding collections prompted a

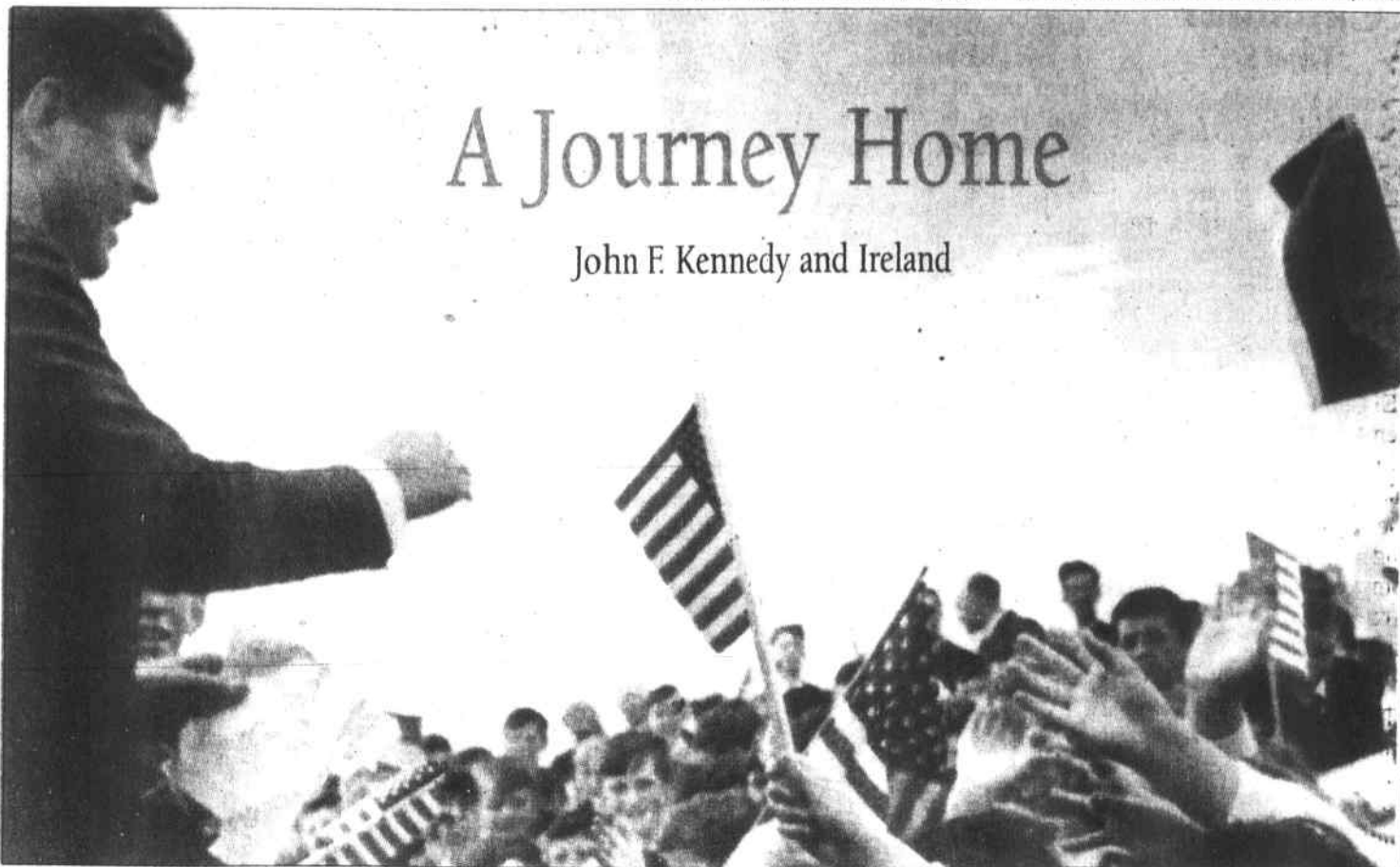
study into the feasibility of renovating the existing building to provide added space, new utility systems, and handicapped accessibility.

"The design proposal recommended a renovation that would cost \$5 million. The library was the recipient of a \$1.8 million construction grant from the Board of Library Commissioners and the town appropriated the remaining funds at Town Meeting at the end of 1995. The well-known Boston firm Childs Bertman Tseckares was retained as architect on the project, which gutted the 1969 portion of the building and restored the historic 1922 portion.

"After more than a year of construction, the beautifully renovated building was reopened to the public in March 1998. Cheryl Webb Scott, a local interior designer, donated her services to the project to design interiors and select furniture, fabrics, carpets, and color schemes."

As befits a grand and glorious history, the Friends of the Beebe Library, some 400 strong, have been planning a gala affair that will take place in two parts on Saturday, March 4. The first part will be a party celebrating the winners of a children's essay contest that has been held over the past few weeks.

According to Doucett, there were between 100 and 150



A Journey Home

John F. Kennedy and Ireland

ON MARCH 17, THE MUSEUM AT THE JOHN F. KENNEDY Presidential Library will open "A Journey Home - John F. Kennedy and Ireland," a special, new exhibit that explores President Kennedy's relationship to his ancestral homeland. The exhibit will run from March 17 to spring 2007. For visitor information, call 617-514-1600.

entries in the contest. The awards ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. in the Children's Library and a cake will be available.

For the adults, a gala party will be held in the Library starting at 7 o'clock that night. Tickets are \$5 per-person for members of the Friends and \$15 per-person (including a single membership) for non-members.

Admission includes dancing to the music of 1920's, '30's and

'40's provided by the Greg Hopkins Quartet and refreshments.

Costumes are optional but encouraged. According to the flyer seen around the community, "...dress up for the Jazz Age with flapper finery, zoot suit, raccoon coat, Jay Gatsby or Daisy Buchanan, Al Capone or Elliot Ness, 'Anything Goes.'"

For more information contact Susan Kilkelly at (781) 245-7245.

The Friends are also responsible for the Annual Book Sale, which benefits the Library. It is held on the first Saturday in June, from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M., rain or shine. The Sale is held in the wheelchair accessible Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church located on Common and Lafayette Streets in Wakefield. Admission is free.

For more information on the Friends, or the book sale, go to www.friendsofthebeebe.org.

There is a whole list of services on the library website (see above). These include helping adults and children become computer literate and also helping them enjoy the purpose of the library, which is being able to read a good book or seek a needed resource.

Doucett said, "Something we need to do is to convey our passion for books to the world."

Despite budget cuts over the past few years, the Beebe Library is still open Monday through Saturday. It is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, from 9 a.m. through 6 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. There are many special programs for children and for adults as well.

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Housing market enjoys record year but sales, prices more moderate in 4th quarter

Despite predictions of a housing slump, the residential real estate market in Massachusetts experienced another year of steady growth in 2005 as total sales of detached single family homes and condominiums set a new record and median prices rose for a twelfth consecutive year, according to data issued by the Massachusetts Association of Realtors (MAR).

Attractive mortgage rates, a more plentiful supply of homes for sale and more modest price appreciation have all helped to keep demand strong amidst rising energy prices and a weak job market this past year, MAR officials said.

Across much of the state, the largest gains in sales activity occurred in the condominium market where sales soared to an all-time high in 2005, climbing 16.4 percent from 19,781 units sold in 2004 and 23,026 last year.

This marks the fourth consecutive year that condo sales have set a new annual sales volume record. Sales of detached single-family homes were historically strong this past year as well, but slid a modest 3.2 percent statewide, from a record 50,561 closings one year ago to 48,922 in 2005.

Notably, the 2005 sales volume for detached homes ranks as the fourth highest on record in state history.

There are signs of moderation in the market, however. Specifically, the MAR report indicates that the sales of detached single-family homes fell 8.1 percent in the fourth quarter, declining from 12,171 homes sold in the final quarter of 2003 to 11,189 in the same three-month period this past year.

This is the largest annual quarterly decline in home sales in nearly three years, dating back to the first quarter of 2003 when sales decreased by 10.6 percent from the first quarter of 2002,

and marks the third consecutive quarter that homes sales have fallen in the Bay State from the same quarter the prior year.

"The accelerated sales pace of recent years has all but ended and we're returning to a more normal market," said MAR President David Wluka.

He added, "Our strong seller's market has been replaced with a more balanced one that will help stabilize home prices."

Regionally, every market area of the state saw a drop in fourth quarter sales of detached single-family homes and five of seven regions reported annual declines in detached home sales from 2004 to 2005.

Last year, sales fell a modest two to four percent in greater Boston and the Northeast region, six percent along the South Shore and in southeastern Massachusetts, and 14.5 percent on Cape Cod.

Furthermore, this past year, condo sales accounted for 32 percent or one in every three residential property sales in the Bay State, the largest percentage ever recorded on an annual basis in state history.

The annual statewide median selling price for detached homes rose 5.9 percent, from \$340,000 in 2004 to \$360,000 this past year, while the annual statewide median selling price for condos climbed 6.6 percent, from \$259,000 a year ago to \$276,000 in 2005.

Every region of the state also saw healthy price appreciation this past year for detached single-family homes, with the strongest price gains observed in Elsewhere, prices increased a more modest four to five percent.

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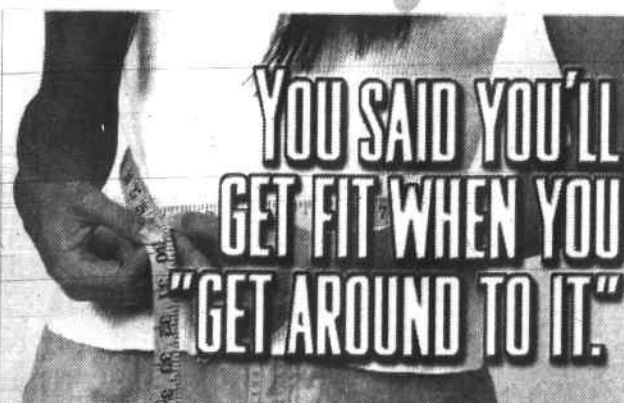
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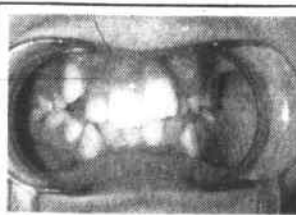
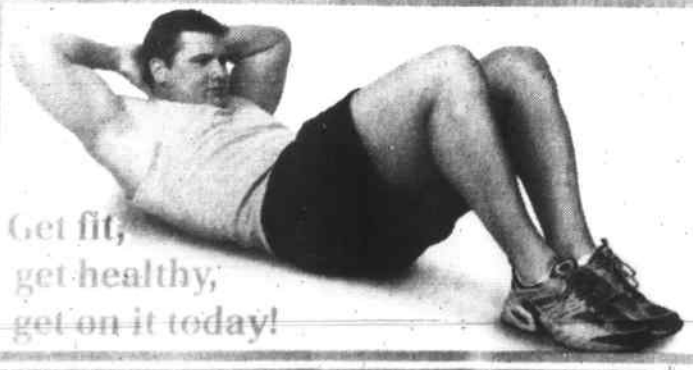


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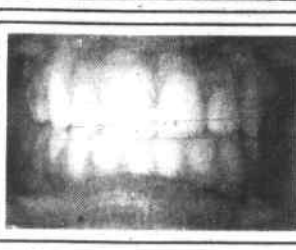
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28 LECLAIR STREET was sold to Anthony Cirelli by Marcia and Robert Richter for \$270,200.
18 MEADE ROAD was sold to Barbara and James Norkum by Frank and Joan McLaughlin for \$347,500.
2 OAK KNOLL AVENUE was sold to Susanne and Thomas Griffin by Ralph Robinson for \$409,900.
1 SPRING LANE was sold to Anthony Joseph DelGreco by Tracy Hadley for \$397,500.
10 VALLEY ROAD was sold to Marc Freedman by Michael Freedman by Michael and Pauline Curtis for \$928,000.

-READING-

Median Price: \$438,000

31 CENTER AVENUE was sold to Kou-Kang Chen and Mei Zu Chen by Brent and Cheryl Adams for \$237,000.
223 HAVERHILL STREET was sold to Man Kai Dennis Pang and Mankai Pang by Harold Huff Jr. and Mary Huff for \$400,000.
241 MAIN STREET U:CB was sold to Joseph Terilli by Michele Eason for \$170,000.
754 PEARL STREET was sold to Karen Goncalves-Dolan and Patrick Dolan by Pearl Street Rt. and Jose Goncalves Tr. for \$375,000.
47 PINEVALE AVENUE was sold to Cathryn and Jason Brown by Diane and Robert Merchant for \$425,000.
237 SALEM STREET U:4 was sold to Patricia Ventura by Maplewood Village Dev. LLC for \$369,000.

-STONEHAM-

Median Price: \$420,000

42 ELLEN ROAD was sold to Jonathan and Kimberly Genese by Jayne Pendergast and Ronald Hedges for \$705,000.
157 FRANKLIN STREET U:E1 was sold to John and Pamela Kessaris by Claire Madden for \$219,400.
44 MAIN STREET U:107A was sold to Susie Corso by Adele Kirby for \$365,000.
61 MAIN STREET U:54B was sold to Ralph Robinson by Susanne Griffin and Susanne Pelosi for \$230,000.
148 MARBLE STREET U:201 was sold to Patricia Coates RET by Paul Moriarty for \$299,000.
157 SPRING STREET was sold to Josephine Feola by Ann Graziani for \$350,000.

-TEWKSBURY-

Median Price: \$376,000

1605 ANDOVER STREET was sold to Virginia Weitz by Gerald and Mark Weitz for \$333,000.
32 APACHE WAY U:32 was sold to Karen Woods by Michael Sweeney and Susan Pattison for \$279,000.
103 APACHE WAY U:103 was sold to Linda M. Reid by EAP Rt. and Stephen Freitas Tr. for \$235,000.
14 EMERALD COURT U:14 was sold to Jeanne and Thomas Ricker by Linda Reid and Paul Wardrove Sr. for \$477,900.
36 EMERALD COURT was sold to John Mandis by Stonewood LLC for \$459,900.
37 EMERALD COURT was sold to Mary Ann Famiglietti by Stonewood LLC for \$429,900.
38 EMERALD COURT was sold to Elizabeth Kelly by Stonewood LLC for \$449,900.
71 EMERALD COURT U:71 was sold to Paul Kaplan and Ronald Seifer by Janice and Roger Palmer for \$516,900.
480 FOSTER ROAD was sold to Michael Colameta and Tracey Forsythe by James Bailey for \$355,000.
1069 MAIN STREET was sold to Danielle Lemelin and Robert Lemelin Jr. by Sheehan Nt. and Edward Sheehan Jr. Tr. for \$420,000.
52 MERRIMACK MEADOWS LANE U:52 was sold to Philip and Sandra Marino by Michelle McCarthy for \$313,000.
19 RANDOLPH DRIVE U:19 was sold to Janet Grace Sayers and Marybeth Traynor by Judith and Judy Marsh for \$232,500.
349 ROGERS STREET was sold to Marc Gigante and Philip Whitney by Dorothy and Martin Cormier for \$440,000.

-WAKEFIELD-

Transfers to S-13

Lights can be the key to home

It's always been one of the more envy-provoking features of any home, but now, with real estate prices on everyone's mind - whether you're thinking of cashing in by selling or just looking to one-up the neighbors - skylights are becoming an increasingly popular home improvement.

According to one national mortgage company, owning a home "suffused with light" can "substantially increase" its resale value. And when that light is coming from a skylight - not just regular windows - it makes a dramatic difference in the overall appearance of the home.

Traditionally, kitchens and baths have been popular and profitable rooms to update with skylights.

The lights can be an easy way to add the feeling of space and openness to a room that may otherwise feel small. Plus, analysts say that kitchen and bathroom remodeling projects consistently return the most in resale value and "almost always"

Lights to S-11

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Lights from S-10

help in the sale of a home. However, skylights aren't just limited to bathrooms and kitchens anymore. Today's homeowners are using the lights throughout the house - either to enhance an already open floor design or to add warmth and style to a living area. The lights are now used in family rooms, hallways, laundry rooms, home offices and even walk-in closets.

If you're considering a skylight, it's important to review a few facts. For energy cost savings, find out a skylight's U-factor before making a purchase. The U-factor has to do with how much heat a skylight allows into the house and it also indicates the amount of light that will escape from the structure. When purchasing a skylight, also consider what type of material is used to allow the light to flow inside your

home and be sure to know how the skylight opening will be flashed or sealed. GAF Materials Corporation, the largest roofing manufacturer in the United States, offers a DVD profiling its HeavenScape Skylights, which have a number of features that homeowners tend to seek out. For more information on skylights, or to obtain the informational DVD, call 800-766-3411 or go online and visit www.gaf.com

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Simply put, home audio systems can look as good as they sound.

Remember, audio systems come in two flavors: all-in-one and do-everything boxes and separate components. All-in-one boxes are simple systems that save space but usually sacrifice performance and upgrade ability.

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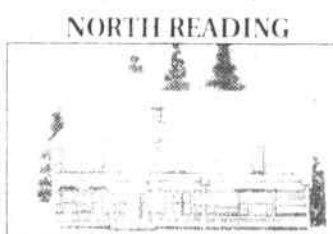
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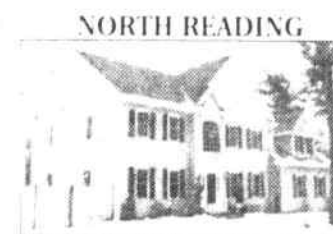
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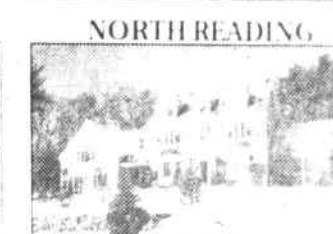
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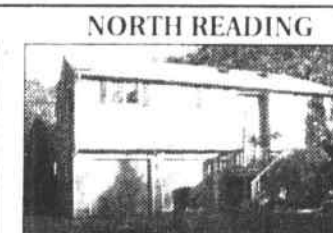
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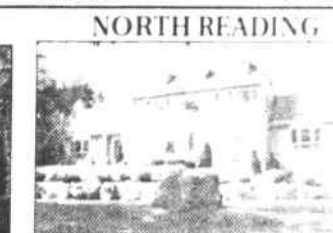
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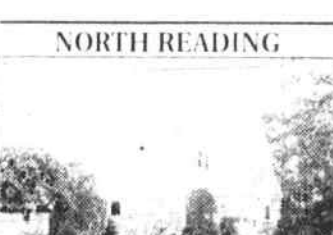
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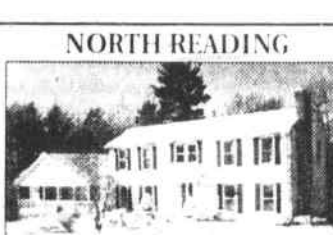
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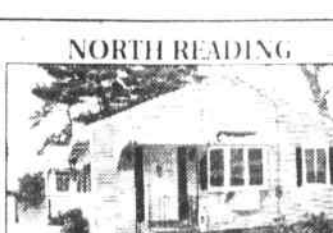
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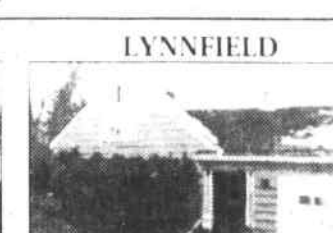
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Informal Northrop feels fresh, spacious

By Associated Designs

Clean lines join with a hipped roof to give a fresh look to the Northrop. Raised stucco forms corner quoins and accents the sturdy square columns of this informal single-level home. Inside the vaulted entry, you immediately feel a sense of spaciousness.

This plan could be easily adapted for wheelchair accessibility.

A vaulted great room is the largest space, spanning about two-thirds of the rear. Its wealth of windows makes this broad area naturally bright on all but the darkest days.

On the far right, high windows flank the fireplace, and the rear wall has three sets of windows. One set slides open to access a large patio. Standing at the kitchen sink, you can gaze out those windows or keep

tabs on activities in the great room. A short eating bar curves out from the counter behind the dishwasher.

Storage space is plentiful here, expanded by a large walk-in pantry. More storage is found in the nearby utility room, which is larger than most. Connected to the garage, it also doubles as a mud room.

Coat closets and enclosed shelves line the hallway from the entry to the great room. Double doors there open into a large bright front room that could be furnished as a media room, study, home office, or fourth bedroom, if needed.

The Northrop's vaulted owners' suite has direct patio access and a

large walk-in closet. Double doors swing in to reveal a bathroom with two vanities, a large walk-in shower, and a private water closet. Secondary bedrooms share a bathroom near the entry.

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Median Price: \$428,750
23 CONVERSE STREET was sold to Keith and Monique O'Leary by Joseph and Patricia Bowers for \$410,000.
15 COOLIDGE PARK U:3 was sold to O'Keefe Ft. and Patrick O'Keefe by Coolidge Park Wake LLC for \$419,900.
46 LAWRENCE STREET was sold to Alyssa and Kevin Kelley by John and Laurie Hurley for \$445,000.
294 MAIN STREET U:24 was sold to Jeffrey Daly by Jeffrey and Marisa Daly for \$7,900.
87B NEW SALEM STREET U:3 was sold to 3T Rt. and Cheryl MacDonald by Michael Salerno for \$550,000.
13 OTIS STREET was sold to Jeanne Yasi-Tropeano and Michael Tropeano by Jeanne Yasi-Tropeano and Michael Tropeano for \$50,000.
12 RICHARDSON STREET was sold to Steven and Virginia Schaffer by Eric and Tara Esfahanian for \$385,000.
330 SALEM STREET was sold to Salvatore Valente by Presidio Rt. and Patrick O'Keefe for \$556,500.
336 SALEM STREET was sold to Salvatore Valente by Presidio Rt. and Patrick O'Keefe for \$493,000.
10 SPRUCE STREET was sold to East Middlesex Association by Gladys and John Lembo for \$443,000.
247 WATER STREET was sold to Sideridis Realty Assoc. LLC by Strasnich Rt. and Carl Strasnich Tr for \$1,225,000.

-WILMINGTON-

Median Price: \$374,750
5 DOUGLAS AVENUE was sold to Lily Cochrane Road LLC by Donald and Regina Ugolini for \$230,000.
8R REED STREET was sold to Kameron Senemar by Ralph Newhouse Jr. and Shelley Delgenio for \$670,000.
23 SENECA LANE was sold to Jennifer and John Pagliuga by Kimberly and Robert Thompson for \$504,900.
3 WISSER STREET was sold to Jennifer Koczen and Kenney Pineau by Alfred and Regina Pineau for \$275,000.

-WINCHESTER-

Median Price: \$734,700
9-11 BRADFORD ROAD was sold to Wei Xu and Wenjun Yu by Criterion Wine Gardens LLC for \$341,900.
6 CENTRAL STREET was sold to Donald Stone-Martin Jr. and Martha Stone-Martin by Eric and Youngmin Jahan for \$1,300,000.

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48 FLETCHER STREET was sold to Elizabeth Pattullo and Gregory Torres by Edward and Elizabeth Pattullo for \$914,000.
60 LAKE STREET U:M was sold to Richard Mucci and Stacey Hamilton by Catherine Coleman and Margaret Hayes for \$325,250.
171 SWANTON STREET U:61 was sold to Michael Reinold and Sandra Garber Reinold by Julie Elizabeth Burt for \$447,000.
105 THORNBERRY ROAD was sold to Sarah and William Norton by Heidi and Mark Sutter for \$735,000.

-WOBURN-

Median Price: \$385,000
6 BLAKE TERRACE was sold to Fritz Rt. and Timothy McMahon by Timothy McMahon for \$89,865.
24 CLEVELAND AVENUE was sold to Theodore Shomos by Mary Ann Palumbo and Robert Palumbo for \$325,000.
1 COLUMBUS ROAD was sold to Margaret Szymanowicz and

Paul Paris by Ramsey Margaret Est. and Daniel Joyce Jr. for \$325,900.

201 BEDFORD ROAD U:74 was sold to Sadie Banzy by Virginia Powers for \$349,500.

15 HIGHLAND STREET was sold to Deoram Ramotar by Barbara McGovern and Philip Giglio for \$339,500.

72 MILL STREET was sold to Brian Powers by John Pento and Linda Dyer for \$314,000.

Garrity by Geraldine J. Ross and Louis M. Ross Jr. for \$419,000.

15 WADE AVENUE was sold to Amy and Kevin O'Brien by David S. Jamieson for \$45,000.

8 WESTVIEW TERRACE was sold to Janice M. McDermott and William P. McDermott by Martha A. McDonough and Mary E. Byron for \$450,000.

10 WINSTEAD AVENUE was sold to David W. Price and Louise M. Price by John L. Lasio and Louise M. Lasio for \$118,000.



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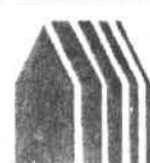
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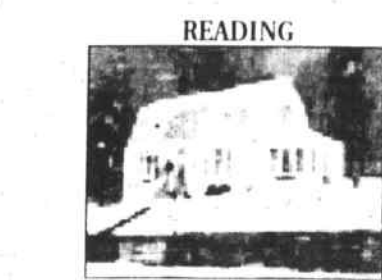
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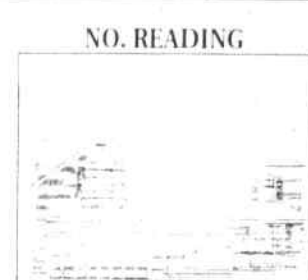
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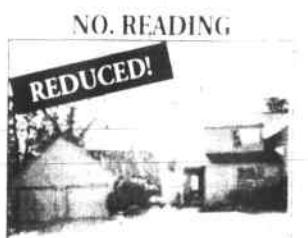
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Movies from S-2

and wet throughout the film.

The ending hints at yet another installment in this series, but one can only hope that the producers decide to drive a stake through the heart of its heroine before that happens.

MOVIE:

"THE NEW WORLD"
GRADE: **

Terrence Malick creates yet another ambitious film that is full of style but lacks substance.

The discovery of the New World is well-documented, but Malick's script plays fast and loose with the facts.

Captain Christopher Newport (Christopher Plummer) and his group of

men arrive from England to the shores of America and find a peculiar and exotic new land. A land abundant with fertile grasses and lush fruits, not to mention tribes of strange but gentle natives who have worked the territory for hundreds of years.

Imprisoned upon arrival but set free to lead the men to explore their goldmine of a find is insubordinate John Smith (Colin Farrell), a hot-head with a love for the new and different. Resentment flows fast and furious as the men see Smith as a traitor and bristle at his leadership.

Their mission is to learn the ways of the people and generate peace and harmony between their European and Native American cultures. To that end Smith falls for the 15-

year old princess Pocahontas (played by newcomer Q'orianka Kilcher). As the Jamestown settlement becomes a reality and the dueling cultures take steps towards peace, Smith and Pocahontas kindle a romance that burns hot and heavy.

Like any tragic romance this one, this one goes wrong. Smith struggles with his responsibility to the men who aren't adjusting well to the winter, finally abandoning his feelings for Pocahontas.

Farrell sheds his Irish bad-boy in favor of a soldier of fortune urgently torn between two loves of his life, his men and his woman.

The film shifts gears when Pocahontas meets aristocratic settler John Rolfe (Christian Bale), who professes love and

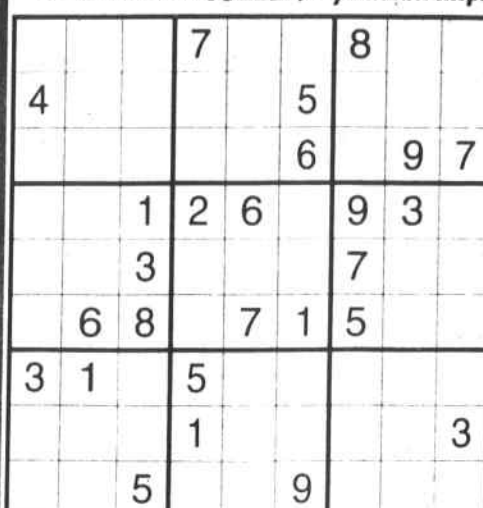
proposes marriage. She heads off to England with him, though she never quite gets over Smith.



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THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By Michael Mepham



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